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ATTACK ON A. P. C. VESSEL.

SUCCESSFUL RESISTANCE BY GUARDS.

WEST RIVER GANG MEETS WITH A SURPRISE.

THE CANTON BOYCOTT

Effective measures are, apparently, being taken to prevent the continuance of outrages on British ships, especially those of the A. P. C., plying on the West River, armed guards now being placed aboard such craft. As an outcome, an incident occurred yesterday morning, when the s.s. Yuen-tung belonging to the A. P. C., was fired upon by Chinese near Junction Channel. The fire was returned by the armed guard, and at least three Chinese were killed.

The position at Canton remains very much the same, the anti-British boycott pickets still conducting their activities on shore. No attempt has, as yet, been made to interfere with British trade on the river, and we learn that any such attempt will be repressed.

It would appear that the position of Gen. Tang Seng-chi at Hankow is becoming more precarious, General Yang Sen at Ichang having definitely gone against him. Further successes for the Nanking forces are reported, and the armies from Kwangtung and Kwangsi are threatening to close in. Tang's only outlet would appear to be in the direction of Szechuan.

CLOSING IN ON HANKOW'S ARMIES.

Canton, Nov. 6. Seng-chi will take his army into Szechuan for his position in Hunan is also in great danger he being pressed by the armies of General Li Chai-sun (from Kwangtung) and Chu Pei-teh (from Kiangsi).—*Nam Chung Pao.*

THE NORTHERN WAR.

Doubt About Shantung Successes.

Peking, Nov. 5. In spite of official reports that the Shantung troops have been uniformly successful in Hunan province, it is persistently stated in Chinese circles that the picture has been overdrawn. Vernacular papers and other Chinese sources report that Gen. Chang Chung-chang's main army, after weeks of desperate fighting, has been thrown back, and that Marshal Feng Yu-shiang's Kuomintang has recaptured Kaifeng, to the east of which heavy fighting is now going on.—*Reuter.*

Nationalist Defeat.

Chinkiang, Nov. 5. Southern forces operating in Shantung are reported to have met with a severe reverse, sustaining heavy losses in both men and equipment. Some confirmation is indicated by the commander of the military of large numbers of junks, precluding the likelihood of a retirement by the Nationalists from the Grand Canal.

AGAINST HANKOW.

Gen. Yang Sen's Attitude.

Wansien, Nov. 5. That General Yang Sen has definitely allied himself with Hankow's adversaries was confirmed when the commander of H.M.S. Teal visited the Szechuan leader to-day.

Yang Sen is leaving shortly for Ichang.—*Naval Wireless.*

NATIONALIST RETIREMENT.

Withdrawing From Grand Canal.

Chinkiang, Nov. 5. The preparations for an early retirement from Shantung and the Grand Canal, following heavy losses during the recent battle, continue, more junks being commandeered for the purpose.

It is not known whether it is the result of the Consul's protest and demand for an apology, but the regiment concerned in Friday's unprovoked assault on British members of the A.P.C. staff, has been withdrawn from the Concession and sent to Nanking.

The withdrawal of the troops leaves the British Concession almost clear of soldiers.—*Naval Wireless.*

NANKING PROGRESS.

Against the Hankow Forces.

Shanghai, Nov. 7. A telegram from Wuhu states that the Nanking army has captured Wusueh, an important point on the Hupeh-Anhui border. It is stated also that General Tang

PAKHOI TERROR.

ROBBERS ATTACK THE CITY.

PANIC AT LIMCHOWFU.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Pakhoi, Oct. 28. As I have mentioned in previous reports from this section of the province, it has been evident to any close observer for a long time that there was an element of discontent and dissatisfaction with the present regime, the power in authority. The Nationalists came in the late fall of 1925 and drove out the old "robber" chief, Tang Poon-yan, and promised the people a reign of peace and prosperity. Since that day, which as things go in China in these Republican days, has been an age, there have been internal changes and faction fights. The labour element was led to believe that anything was theirs for the mere asking, and they proceeded to ask and largely with the result that the authorities declared them Communists and had some six or eight executed.

By this time the students and the Political Department of the army had about finished with the destruction of idols and temples, as such, and had been able to gather most of the money from lands belonging to the temples, and with which they were supported. The new schools which sprung up everywhere declared themselves Atheist and went about their business of the destruction of Religion with a blatancy which was altogether despairing.

The Attack in Lim Chow.

But other wiser and older heads were also at work. The gentry who were unimpressed with all the slogans and shibboleths of these young orators and disciples of the Soviet began to get their heads together. The result was the organization of what is locally known as the Kau Shan Wai, or "The Society for the Preservation of Religion." It would appear that the best element of the population joined up with this society and more especially did the rural population do so for to the farmer with his bare and uninteresting life, his religion means a great deal to him and is about his only comfort in distress.

From information to hand it appears that this society joined hands with the big and now famous "robber" chief of the Lingshan mountains and of Wong Ming Tung fame, Lau Chi-wa. In any case these men took upon themselves the high sounding title of "The Society of the Preservation of Religion" and "The Army for the Ejection of Robbers." Lau Commander-in-Chief, and with this great weight attached to them they sallied forth to conquer.

They swept down from the Lingshan mountains taking every village before them to Lim Chow City and before the Nationalist troops realized what was taking place they had established themselves. By October 26 they were having everything their own way.

Pakhoi in a Panic.

Not content to hang on at Lim Chow until they had forced the city to surrender, they divided their forces and on the 27th, sent a force on down to take Pakhoi. Pakhoi had only about 200 troops and was poorly equipped from the appearance of the soldiers. The whole city was thrown into the worst kind of a panic. Shop windows were hastily thrown up and from noon on the 27th, until eight o'clock there was utter confusion everywhere, the town being full of the wildest rumours. Women were running to and fro talking at the top of their voices, rickshaws and coolies were commandeered at any price to take boxes and valuables to places of safety.

It speaks well for the various missions and their influence, and little for the Political Department of the army and the agitators, that the former were in great demand as places to store valuables and refuge for women and children.

The military, the Nationalists were also busy, and soldiers and officers were running here and there with a look of great importance. When the local Consul requested the officer commanding the troops here for protection for the foreign community, he gave every assurance that such should be given. But the day following he fled to the Consulate for refuge fearing the robbers would win out. His men were left to fight it out without him.

Shanghai, Nov. 5. There is no change in the position here. Nationalist troops have multiplied at Fungchow, but the Nationalist have now taken the situation in hand.—*Naval Wireless.*

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THE TRAGEDY AT CHAPEL.

FULLER DETAILS OF CINEMA COLLAPSE.

SCENES OF HORROR.

Shanghai, Nov. 7. Details of the Keng Shin Wu Tai catastrophe at Chapel increase the horrors of the affair.

While some reports are to the effect that the collapse followed a rush to the single staircase of the place, following on a shout of "Fire", the state of the building bears out the original Reuter account.

The women were over-crowded in a 40-foot square room, and were applauding and jumping up and down. This set the floor vibrating, pulling out the cross-beams.

An upper floor tore loose, with a resounding crash, which was followed up immediately by a second crash, caused by the collapse of the first floor.

Municipal and police officers arrived within five minutes, but were waved away by the Chapel police.

Gruesome Rescue Work.

The fire brigade is carrying out the rescue work. The task is most gruesome and difficult. Timbers interlocked with bodies are intermingled with splintered flooring joists, buried under tons of debris, heaped 12 to 15 feet high, with arms and legs protruding.

The screams of the women and girls are filling the air.

The majority of the victims are girls of 10 to 15, but all the waiters in a restaurant on the ground floor have been killed.

The Chinese authorities state the flooring was very weak, and totally unfitted for mass meetings, although the place was very popular for the purpose.—*Reuter.*

ANGLO-EGYPTIAN AFFAIRS.

CONVERSATIONS PROTRACTED.

London, Nov. 5.

The conversations regarding Anglo-Egyptian relations which have been proceeding in London between Sir Austen Chamberlain and Sarwat Pasha, the Egyptian Premier, during the past week have not yet concluded.

Sarwat Pasha has accordingly postponed his departure from London until Tuesday or Wednesday.

Lord Lloyd, the High Commissioner in Egypt, has also deferred his return to Egypt until Tuesday.—*British Wireless.*

PEACE WORK OF THE LEAGUE.

BRITISH REPRESENTATIVE'S SPEECH PRAISED.

London, Nov. 6.

The newspaper generally expressed satisfaction with the speech made by Mr. Ronald McNeill (now Baron Chagendun) on the subject of the "responsible task which he is undertaking in representing Britain at the League of Nations, in succession to Viscount Cecil.

The Observer remarks that the speech rang true in its references to peace and disarmament. It was a propitious prelude to Mr. McNeill's difficult work at Geneva.—*British Wireless.*

THE SYDNEY HARBOUR DISASTER.

RECOVERY OF DEAD BODIES.

Sydney, Nov. 6.

Divers have recovered three more bodies from the ferry-boat wreck, at a depth of 70 feet. The bodies were found in the shattered remains of the women's cabin, which apparently received the full force of the collision.

There were no bodies in the vicinity of the cabin. It is feared that other dead are lying on the bed of the harbour.—*Reuter.*

SWABUE MASSACRE

OUTRAGES BY "RED" TROOPS.

MERCHANTS KIDNAPPED.

More than 2,000 "Red" troops from Haifung and Lukfung made a sudden attack at Swabue, a city which is south of Haifung and south-west of Lukfung, and midway between here and Swatow, on Wednesday last week.

The troops at Swabue were hopelessly outnumbered. They retreated, abandoning the city and boarded the s.s. Taiyau which took them back to Swatow. The city was captured by the "Reds" who ransacked all the houses, killed more than two hundred people, including soldiers and Government officials and merchants, and kidnapped about one hundred of the wealthy merchants for ransom.

All communication with Swabue is now severed. Refugees who endeavoured to leave the city, were prevented by the "Reds."

When this news reached Swatow on Friday evening last troops were at once despatched to Swabue to re-capture the city.

The "Red" troops who captured Swabue were formerly under the leadership of Gens. Yeh Ting and Ho Lung, the two "Red" leaders who made a fruitless attempt to capture Swatow sometime ago.

Since their defeat at Swatow these troops have been wandering in the vicinity of Haifung and Lukfung. Recently the troops belonging to the 11th Division of the Canton army, formerly stationed at Swabue, were sent back to Canton, leaving only a handful of soldiers at Swabue, and this gave the "Reds" a good chance to make their attack.

THE "TRIUMPH" OF BOLSHEVISM.

MOSCOW'S TENTH ANNIVERSARY.

Moscow, Nov. 6.

The tenth anniversary of the Revolution was signalled by enlarged editions of the newspapers, extolling the achievements of a decade.

M. Stalin concludes an article in the *Pravda* on the world influence of Bolshevism as follows: "The Revolution heralds the victory of Marxism over reformism, Leninism over social-democracy, and the Third International over the Second."—*Reuter.*

QUEEN OF SPAIN IN ENGLAND.

ON A VISIT WITH HER DAUGHTERS.

London, Nov. 6.

The Queen of Spain, with her two daughters, Princess Beatriz and Princess Maria Christina, arrived in London yesterday evening.

They were met at Victoria station by King George, Queen Mary and Princess Beatrice. They are staying at Kensington Palace, as guests of Princess Beatrice. Their visit will extend for two or three weeks.—*British Wireless.*

BIG LOCKOUT IN GERMANY.

45,000 TEXTILE WORKERS INVOLVED.

Elberfeld, Nov. 6.

The Textile Employers' Federation has decided on a lockout on November 7, following the rejection of the workers' demand for an increase of wages.

The number of persons involved is 45,000.—*Reuter.*

HOLLAND'S ANTI-DOPE MEASURE.

Amsterdam, Nov. 6.

An Opium and Narcotic Bill has been introduced in the Second Chamber with the object of bringing Holland into line with the International Convention.—*Reuter.*

THE ARMISTICE DAY BROADCAST.

CHELMSFORD STATION IS HEARD HERE.

AN AMATEUR'S SUCCESS.

Hopes that Hongkong may be able to receive the special Armistice Day concert which is being broadcast to the entire Empire from England on Friday night are stimulated by the success of a local amateur in receiving a programme from the Chelmsford station, the one which will be responsible for the Armistice Day broadcast.

Mr. F. R. Filmer, of the Union Trading Company, was listening in at his home on Saturday evening when he picked up the Chelmsford call sign and then received music for two hours from Britain.

The Chelmsford station was recently established by the British Broadcasting Corporation for the purpose of experiments in connection with the Empire wireless scheme. It was largely due to the initiative of the well-known amateur, Mr. Gerald Marcuse, that this station came into being.

Mr. Filmer's first message from England was received at 10.40 local time on Saturday night when a gramophone record was played, the tune "Colonel Bogey" was plainly heard. This was followed by a clock striking, but Mr. Filmer was unable to count the number of strokes owing to local interference. An announcement "This is 5FW, Chelmsford" followed the musical items.

The Programme.

Mr. Filmer was able to keep a record of the subsequent programme which was as follows:

10.50. Grenadier Guards' record. The announcer intimated that the other side would be played if listeners would stand by for one moment.

11.00. Jazz music played by the orchestra of the Cafe de Paris.

11.10. A further record, "Positively Absolutely."

11.20. Ten minute interval, the call sign 5FW again being given.

11.30. Musical items, "Don't Care" and "Close to My Heart."

11.35. Another gramophone record, not received owing to interference.

11.45. Five minutes interval.

11.55. Soprano and tenor songs, both heard very clearly and almost in their entirety. One song was sung by Gladys Moncrieff.

12.5 a.m. Further records, followed by violin and organ solos, these being especially clear.

12.25. Call sign again repeated "No Wonder She's a Blushing Bride" and "Things-me-Bob," the latter by George Robey.

This concluded the programme which was apparently an experimental one transmitted between two and four o'clock in the afternoon at home. Mr. Filmer is confident of receiving the programme on Friday night, the time of reception in Hongkong being from four o'clock onwards on Saturday morning. Several local listeners are making preparations to receive the concert and the speech by the Prince of Wales and given good conditions there seems no reason why Hongkong should not take an active part in this Empire broadcast.

FRANCE AND JUGOSLAVIA.

A TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP.

Belgrade, Nov. 6.

The Foreign Minister, M. Marinkovich, had a long interview with the French Minister, prior to leaving for Paris to sign the Franco-Yugoslav treaty of friendship.—*Reuter.*

CONSTANTINOPLE'S POPULATION.

EXCEEDED BY STAMBOUL.

Constantinople, Nov. 6.

The official census figures give the population of Constantinople at 700,000, and of Stamboul at 807,000.—*Reuter.*

SALE OF CARS.

SEQUEL TO GARAGE'S BANKRUPTCY.

DISPUTED OWNERSHIP.

A claim for \$1,000 advanced on the security of a bill of sale, the schedule of which included four motor-cars was heard in the Summary Court this morning before the Pulane Judge, Mr. J. R. Wood, and arose out of the bankruptcy of the Wanchai Garage.

The plaintiff, Ip Sun, proprietor of Messrs. J. Gibbs and Co., motor-car accessory dealers, sued Sapooran Singh and Kartar Singh for \$1,000 as damages for the conversion by the defendants to their own use, on September 23 last, of a Marmion motor car, license number 183, to the possession of which the plaintiff claimed to be entitled.

Mr. L. D. Turner was for the plaintiff and Mr. D. McCallum defended.

Mr. Turner said that on November 9 last year the plaintiff advanced to a certain Mr. Li Hoi-san, alias Li Hoi-kee, the sum of \$1,000 on the security of a bill of sale. The first item on the schedule of the bill of sale was a Marmion motor-car, No. 183. There were also three other cars.

All four belonged to Mr. Li Hoi-san, who was then trading as the Wanchai Garage. The motor-car which was the subject of the writ was one for public hire. It was left in the possession of the grantor of the bill of sale, Mr. Li Hoi-san, as were the other three cars mentioned in the schedule, and a few months ago two of them were sold and sent to Shanghai. This was done by the grantor, unknown to the grantee.

The grantee, who was the plaintiff, would say that on September 22 this year he heard that Mr. Li Hoi-san, or the Wanchai Garage, was in bankruptcy and that the premises had been seized by the Official Receiver.

Premises Seized.

In reply to his Lordship, Mr. Turner said the garage was seized on the debtor's petition. The plaintiff had been receiving his interest regularly up to a month before, and there was a month's interest, \$40, as well as the principal, owing when the receiving order was made in the bankruptcy.

The plaintiff consulted Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master as to his rights and was advised that he had a right of seizure under the bill of sale and owing to the bankruptcy of the grantor.

In consequence he (Mr. Turner), with the plaintiff and the Official Receiver, went to the garage to look for the motor-cars, but he found that two had disappeared. Evidence had been given in Major Willson's court at the Central Magistracy that two cars in a garage at No. 10, Landale Street. When they visited that garage they found the first defendant there with two of his friends, one of whom was probably the second defendant.

Through Mr. Turner the plaintiff produced the bill of sale, identified the two cars as being two mentioned in the schedule, and demanded that they be handed over, as the grantor of the bill of sale was bankrupt and his (plaintiff's) power to seize had arisen. The first defendant then produced a receipt for money paid for the purchase of the four cars, one of them being the one they were suing for. The plaintiff still demanded that the cars be handed over, but the first defendant refused.

A Special Defence.

Mr. McCallum explained that one of his pleadings would be that the bill of sale was void. He pointed out that Mr. Turner had a right under one particular statute to come into court on the one particular bill of sale. He (Mr. McCallum) was pleading under another portion of that statute, but he had not given Mr. Turner any notice of a special defence.

Answering his Lordship, Mr. McCallum said he was pleading that that bill of sale is void as offending against the Bills of Sale Ordinance, insofar as that ordinance has a special form of a bill of sale, and the one in question does not comply with that statutory form.

Mr. Turner said he had only learned of this five minutes ago, but he did not object providing his Lordship would grant an adjournment if he found himself prejudiced.

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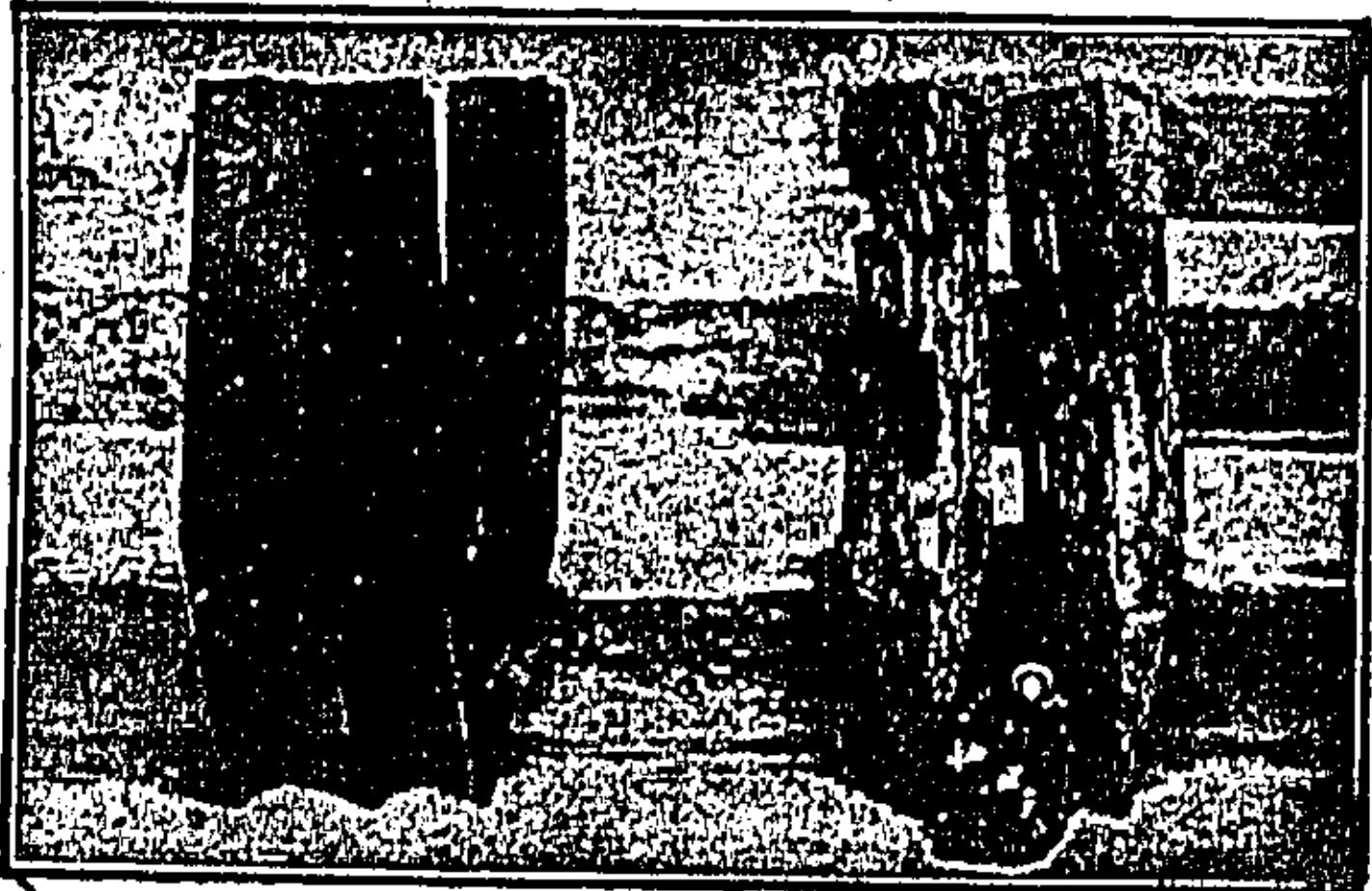
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IN AMERICA.MUCH DAMAGE IN EASTERN
STATES.

Reservoir Collapses.

New York, Nov. 6.

Northern and western New England are devastated by floods due to the swollen rivers bursting their banks.

The most serious disaster is reported from Montpelier, the capital of the State of Vermont, in consequence of the collapse of a large reservoir. The death toll is estimated to exceed 100, but the town is isolated and communications with outside are impossible.

Two telephone girls from Montpelier who arrived at the White River Junction state that the water was running ten feet deep in the principal street when they departed.

Other places are also flooded, and millions of dollars worth of damage has occurred. Several persons have been drowned. Hundreds fled to high ground.

Power plants are crippled and train communication with Canada is interrupted.

The village of Becket, in Massachusetts, was washed away by a dam break, but owing to a forewarning only one person was drowned.

Death Roll Mounting.

Later.

There is a steadily mounting death toll.

Damage amounting to many millions sterling is reported from the flood areas in New England. The towns of Montpelier and Barre are believed to be the severest sufferers.

An unconfirmed report places the death toll in Montpelier at 137 to 212.

Almost every town in the flood district has lost hundreds of thousands of dollars as the result of factories and bridges being swept away.

A district in one of the main manufacturing areas in the United States and a number of centres have been plunged in total darkness owing to the lighting plants being put out of action.

It is feared that there may be a food shortage in some districts.

Lieut.-Governor Drowned.

Binghamton, N.Y., Nov. 5.

Lieutenant-Governor Jackson, of Vermont, has, it is reported, perished in the Montpelier floods.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Scene of Desolation.

Albany, Nov. 6.

Montpelier is still cut off and no assistance is possible until the floods subside. A journalist who flew there reports that three lives were lost when the reservoir burst.

An indescribable scene of desolation everywhere meets the eye. Seven thousand people are homeless. Some are encamped on the hillsides, others sheltered in such public buildings as are still standing.

Wireless reports from Burlington, Vermont, state that twenty-five persons were drowned amongst a group of whom were state employees, who were entrapped in a boarding-house in the path of the waters.

Residents of Montpelier are suffering from cold as the authorities have commandeered all coal.

The water is thirty feet deep in some streets. The City Hall is a ruin and a number of hotels and shops have been destroyed. Houses were ripped apart, trees torn down; seven railway bridges were wrecked and the rail tracks to the city were twisted.

Barre, six miles distant, where Lieut.-Governor Jackson was drowned, is still submerged.—*Reuter's American Service.*

GERMANY WARNED.

ECONOMY ESSENTIAL.

Berlin, Nov. 6.

A severe warning to Germany is contained in a memorandum by Mr. Parker Gilbert, the Agent General for Reparations, the text of which is now published. The memorandum declares that if present tendencies are unchecked the consequences are almost certain to be serious economic reaction and depression and severe shock to German credit at home and abroad.

The remedy it explains, consists of primarily in reversing the tendencies toward over-spending and over-borrowing and applying the principles of strict economy and ordered public finance. It stresses the point that the Finance Minister's actions contravene the policy laid down in his speeches and that if the German Government acts promptly it has the power to prevent a crisis.

The Agent General is of the opinion that the Reich by failing to restrain its expenditure is endangering the stability of the budget which is the cornerstone of the experts' plan for the reconstruction of Germany. Should these tendencies continue unchecked they will encourage the impression that Germany is not acting in due regard to her Reparations obligations.

The Finance Minister replying, agrees to the necessity of strict economy and points out the extreme difficulty when vital matters of national life are viewed only from a financial standpoint. He declares that the payment of Reparations obligations are covered by the yield of pledged securities and that the German Government desires to do its utmost to help to solve her Reparations problems.—*Reuter.*

BOOTLEG LIQUOR.

DIVERSION OF INDUSTRIAL
ALCOHOL.

Washington, Nov. 5.

Approximately ten million gallons of industrial alcohol found its way into bootleg channels last year, according to declarations made by the Alcohol Advisory Council, which was appointed to co-operate with the Prohibition Officials.—*Reuter's American Service.*

INDIAN FLOODS.

THREE HUNDRED REPORTED
TO HAVE PERISHED.

Madras, Nov. 6.

Three hundred people are reported to have perished in floods following a severe cyclone at Nellore. Communications have been cut off. No details of the disaster are available up to the present.—*Reuter.*

KOENNECKE'S FLIGHT.

MACHINE DAMAGED AT
ALLAHABAD.

Allahabad, Nov. 5.

The German airman Koennecke came to grief again to-day, his machine being damaged in a forced landing.—*Reuter.*

KING FEISAL'S VISIT.

RECEIVED IN AUDIENCE BY
KING GEORGE.

London, Nov. 5.

The King to-day received in audience King Feisal of Iraq, who is visiting this country.—*British Wireless.*

THE LEAGUE.

MR. RONALD McNEILL ON HIS
NEW OFFICE.

London, Nov. 5.

Mr. Ronald McNeill (Lord Cushendun) made, at Canterbury last night, his first speech since his promotion to the Cabinet. He said the most important duties of his new office would be in connexion with the League of Nations. That would involve a very heavy responsibility, but on the other hand if it should enable him to contribute even in a fractional degree to banishing the menace of future war and making peace more durable and secure, that would be a work more useful, honourable and blessed than any other he could imagine.

That was the purpose of the League of Nations. The League had already done great deal to provide for maintenance of peace. It had, he believed, averted at least one conflict which but for the League would almost certainly have broken out, and it had made it more difficult and dangerous for any state to pursue a deliberately provocative or aggressive policy against its neighbours.

Much more remained to be done in the same direction, but he firmly believed that if the operations of the League were conducted with patience and prudence and in a practical spirit, it would succeed as nothing else in the history of the world had yet succeeded—he would not say in making war impossible, but in placing peace on a surer foundation than ever before. What an unspeakable relief that would be to mankind! Another war on a large scale would wipe out civilization, and it was therefore a literal truth to say that it was on the League of Nations that the faith and hope of the future must be fixed for reducing to a minimum the danger of such a catastrophe.

Britain's Anxiety.

He was conscious of the difficulty of following Lord Cecil, of whom there was no more sincere admirer than himself. He believed, however, that English people of all parties will be quite as convinced as Lord Cecil himself of the necessity of limitation of armaments by international agreement. There was no nation to whom peace was of more real concern than to us, and there was no nation more anxious than we were not to waste unnecessary shillings in unproductive expenditure. We should not, however, lose sight of the fact that we had already, both by international agreement and of our own accord, made a very large reduction in our fighting equipment, and were ready to go as far along the same road as might be found compatible with the safety of our country and commerce.

We should delude ourselves if we assumed that war would be impossible, even if armaments in every country were reduced to the vanishing point. If there were no weapons in existence there would still remain the skill and materials for making them. Peace must rest on a moral as well as a material basis. What was needed was not merely a reduction of armaments but removal of distrust between nations.

Sense of Security.

The cause of distrust was the sense of insecurity. No single individual had done so much to remove that sense of insecurity as Sir Austin Chamberlain. The Treaty of Locarno had given a new feeling of security to two great military nations and had therefore given a firmer foundation to peace in one of the chief danger zones of Europe. Similar compacts covering other areas might spread the boundaries of the treaty.

Another valuable provision against the danger of war was to increase the reliance on arbitration as a means of settling inter-

SHANGHAI TRAGEDY.

135 WOMEN AND CHILDREN
KILLED.

Shanghai, Nov. 5.

A meeting of 500 Chinese female flature workers, who had congregated in a cinema in Chapel this afternoon for the purpose of inaugurating a new Labour Union, had a disastrous termination when the building collapsed as the audience stood up to applaud the election of officers.

The fatalities number 135 women and children, whilst about 200 are seriously injured.

The entire third floor, on which the meeting was being held, collapsed and dropped to the second floor, which gave way, followed by the walls, burying the entire crowd in the debris of bricks, plaster, tiles, and splintered timbers.

Chinese military surrounded the area and assisted the Police in extricating the bodies of those killed and the people injured.

First aid was brought to the scene, the injured being rushed to hospitals where doctors operated on the more serious cases immediately.

As far as is at present known the only man killed was Yen Hsin, a local Labour leader, who was assisting in the ceremonies.—*Reuter.*

U.S. GOLD FOR BRAZIL.

RESTORATION OF THE GOLD
STANDARD.

New York, Nov. 6.

Sixty-seven tons of gold in twenty dollar pieces are shortly being transferred from the Treasury to Brazil to assist in the restoration of the gold standard.—*Reuter's American Service.*

MEXICAN EXECUTIONS.

GENERAL GOMEZ AND FOUR
OTHERS PUT TO DEATH.

Mexico City, Nov. 6.

General Arnulfo Gomez, and the four other revolutionary officers who were captured with him after a short battle at Teocelo, were all executed within a few hours.—*Reuter's American Service.*

CAPTAIN FINED.

CHINESE STOWAWAYS FROM
PORT SAID.

Perth, W.A., Nov. 5.

The captain of the steamer Almskerk has been fined £5,000 for having prohibited immigrants on board his vessel.—*Reuter.*

[Fifty-four Chinese stowaways boarded the ship at Port Said.]

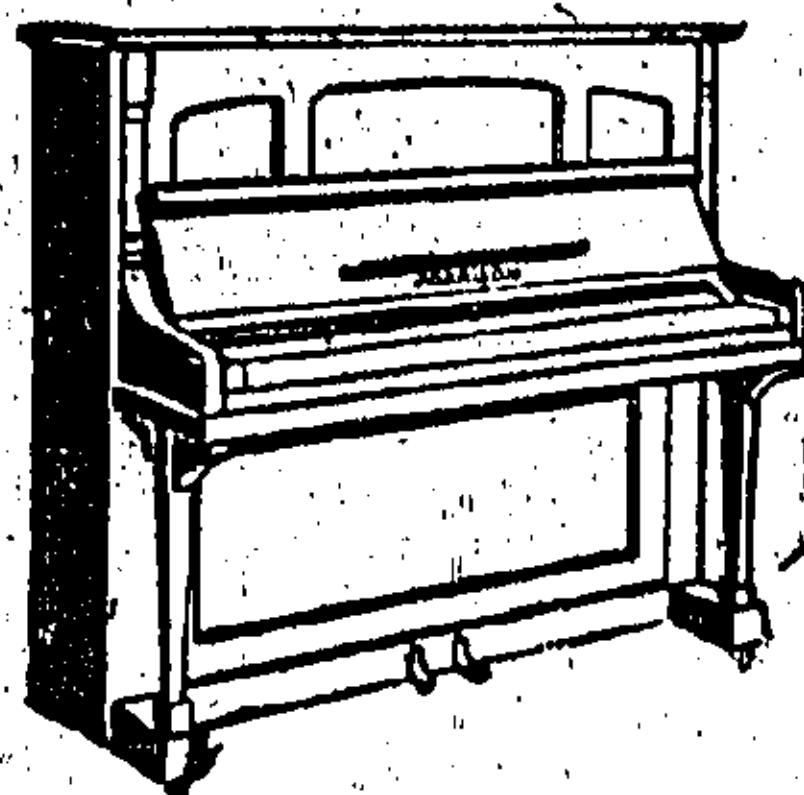
national disputes. In this Britain had always led the way. We had signed many more arbitration treaties than any other country, and we had submitted to arbitration numbers of questions even where important national interests were involved.

In conclusion, Mr. McNeill said he would make it his aim to the best of his ability to enhance the prestige of the League of Nations and promote its usefulness. At the same time he could not forget that for a British Minister the first duty of all was to maintain British interests; but he did not believe that essential British interests, one of the first of which was peace, ought ever to be at variance with the League of Nations, whose interests we supported in a reasonable and conciliatory spirit.—*British Wireless.*

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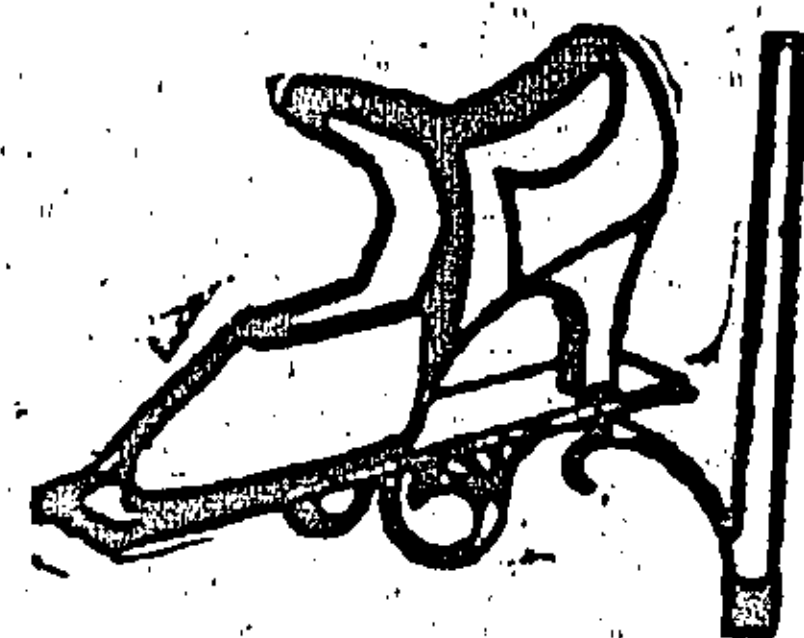
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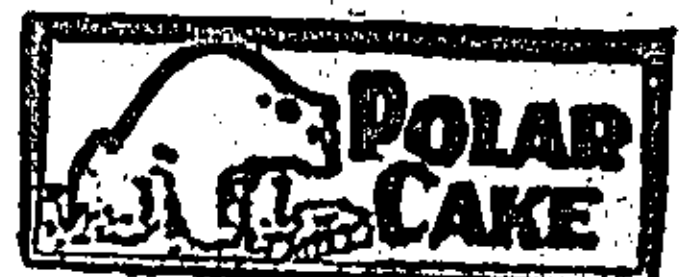
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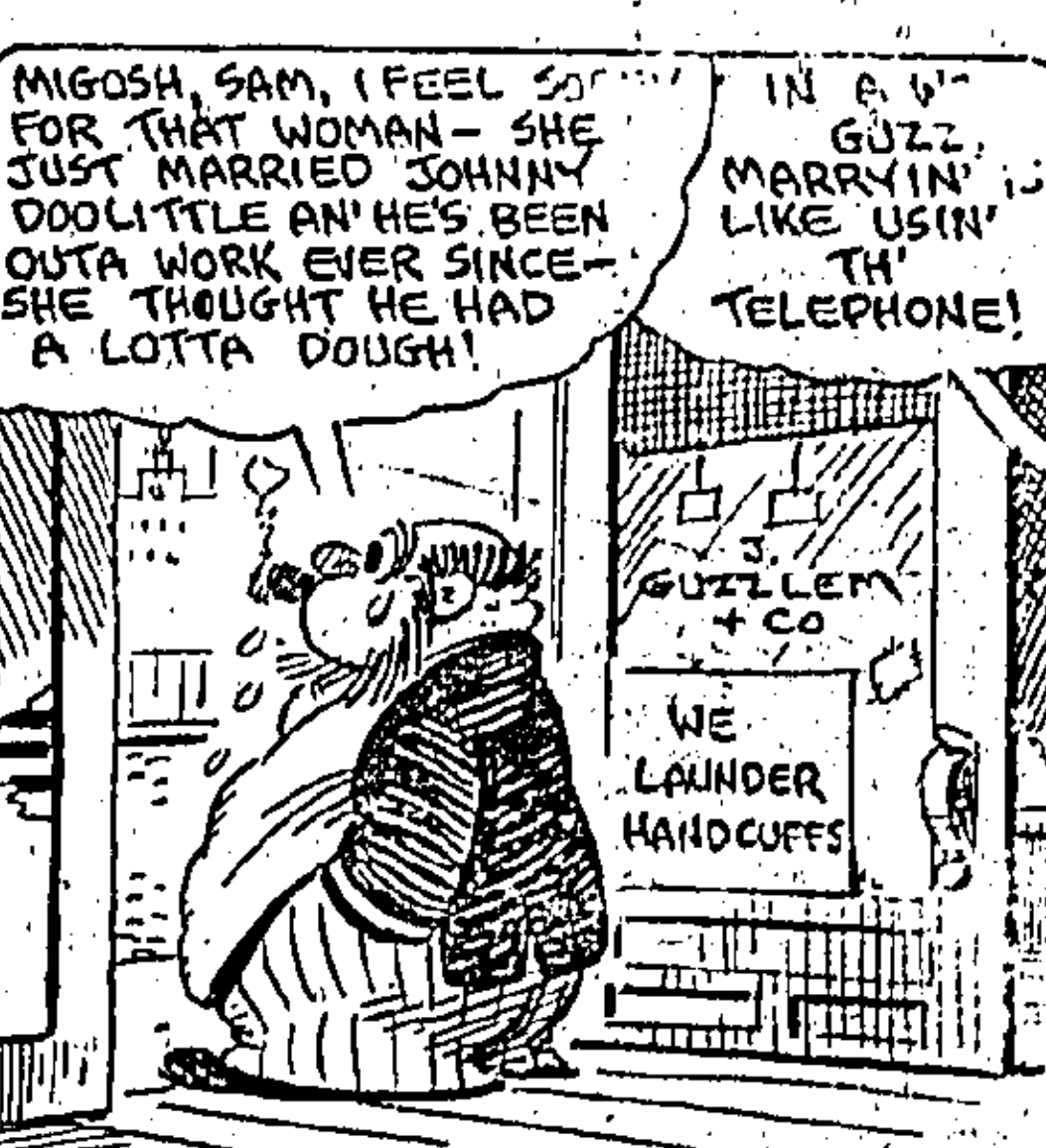
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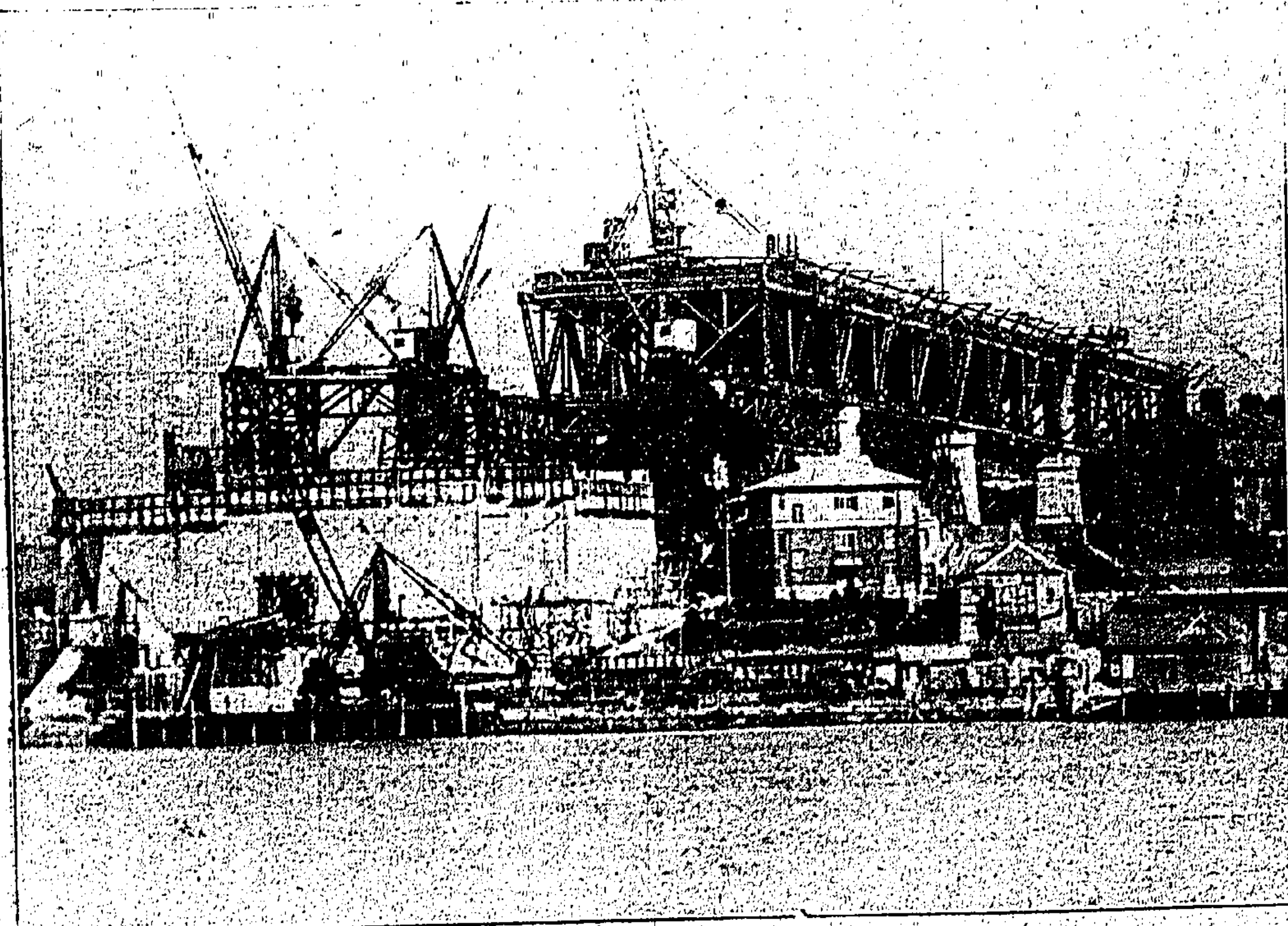
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SWISS FLOODS.—Our picture shows the Village Church of Ringgenberg Grisons, after the recent floods which devastated the Upper Rhine Valley. (Times copyright).



LORD MAYOR OF LONDON IN ROME.—Our photograph shows the Lord Mayor of London (Sir Rowland Blades) and the Sheriffs (Mr. H. E. Davenport, left, and Mr. F. D. Green, right) being received at the Capitol by the Governor of Rome, Prince Spada Potenzianti. (Times copyright).



SYDNEY HARBOUR BRIDGE.—A photograph of the ironwork of the bridge which is to span Sydney Harbour, Australia, from Dawes Point to Milson's Point. It shows the work on the Northern side at Milson's Point. (Times copyright).



SMILES.—Rene Lacoste's determined smile gave way to victory's laugh when he triumphed over "Bill" Tilden (right) in the deciding match of the Davis Tennis Cup matches at Germantown, Pa.



WINNERS.—J. S. Charles (top) of Richmond Va., in his Eaglerock plane, and Charles "Speed" Holman of St. Paul, flying a Laird plane, were the first to cross the finish line in the New York-to-Spokane air derby.



HORNED SCREAMER.—A study of the specimen of the South American bird which has just been added to the Zoological Gardens, London. (Times copyright).



ENGAGED.—Mary Patricia Tumulty, daughter of Joseph Tumulty, once the late President Woodrow Wilson's secretary, is to marry Robert F. Cahill, of Washington, D. C.

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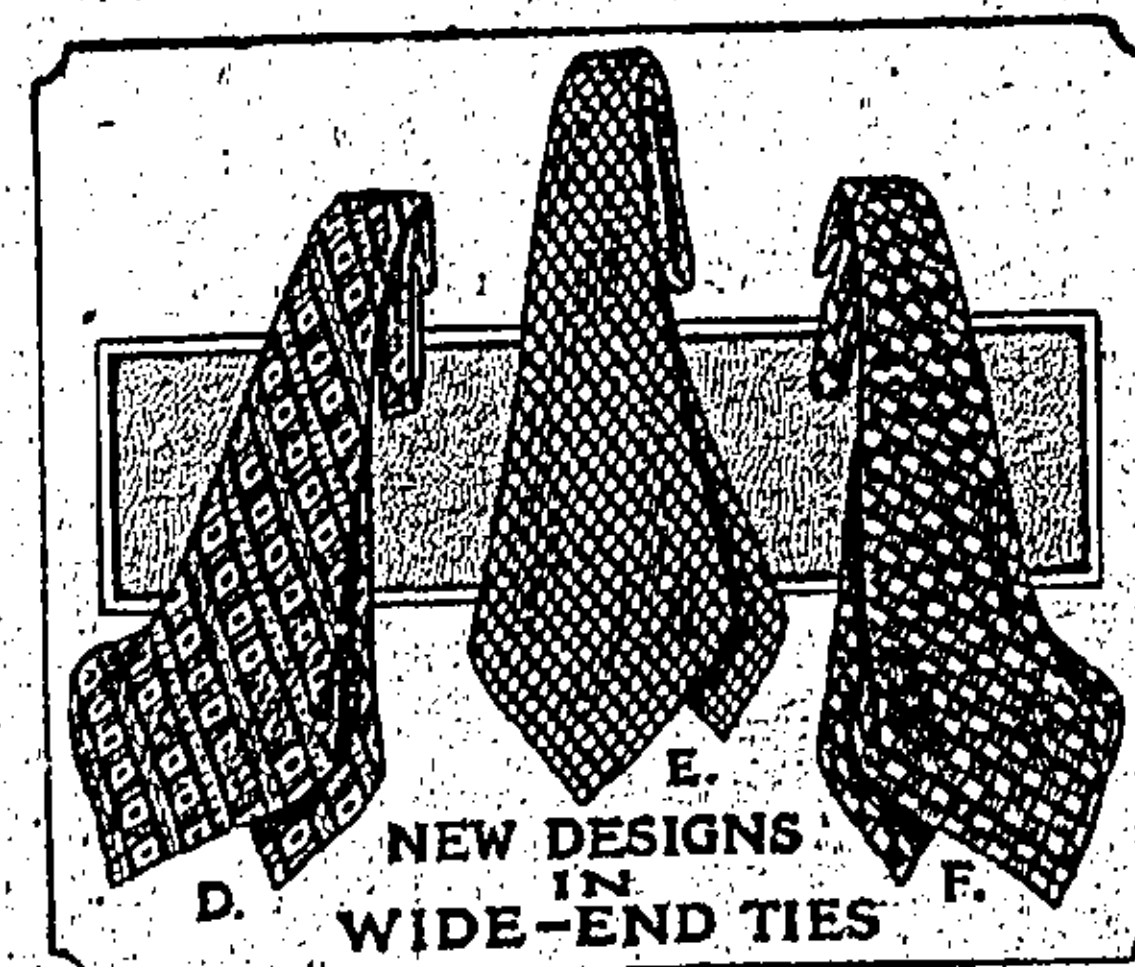
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High Water	8.15	8.25	8.35	8.45	8.55	9.05	9.15	9.25	9.35	9.45	9.55	10.05	10.15	10.25
Low Water	2.15	2.25	2.35	2.45	2.55	3.05	3.15	3.25	3.35	3.45	3.55	4.05	4.15	4.25

A summons alleging that he had supplied more liquor than was demanded by the customer was heard against Alfred William Howell, an Islington licensee, at North London Police Court. It was stated that instead of a pint Howell supplied a pint and a gill of ale to a customer. The police said that complaints had been made that Howell, because of his generous measure, was taking all the trade in the neighbourhood. (Laughter.) Mr. H. A. Block, for the defence, said that it was a relic of D.O.R.A. and the Licensing Act of 1921. Howell was fined 10s. The practice of giving over measure of liquor is commonly known as "the long pull."

IN DEFENCE OF A BELIEF.

HOW THEOSOPHY JUSTIFIES REINCARNATION.

At yesterday's public meeting of the Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society in the lounge of Lane Crawford's, Mr. J. Russell gave an address on "Cause and Effect." This was preceded by a public reply to certain points touched in the Rev. H. Copley Moyle's recent sermon concerning Reincarnation.

Mr. Russell said in brief that the Rev. H. Copley Moyle's arguments were in many cases directly opposed to actual facts, and were misleading.

First of all, said Mr. Russell, reincarnation is not transmigration, and does not mean that the human soul may reincarnate in the body of an animal. Reincarnation distinctly implies that man is re-born as a man, and not as an animal. Further, it shows total ignorance on the subject if one says that reincarnation "utterly confounds" personal identity. It is the very essence of reincarnation that the man does not lose his individuality throughout all his lives on earth. It is likewise untrue that reincarnation is opposed to the teachings of the Bible and Christianity, and that the only early Father of the Christian Church who held and preached it was Origen, also that it rests entirely on unproved assertions and is merely an organic corruption of the conception of a future life, and goes against man's immortality. All these statements do not answer the actual facts of the teaching of reincarnation as taught by Theosophy, and are extremely unfair.

There is, perhaps, no philosophical doctrine in the world that has so magnificent an intellectual ancestry as that of reincarnation, the unfolding of the immortal spirit in man through recurring lives on earth and the transmutation of earthly experiences into mental and moral tendencies and powers during the long intervals (averaging several hundreds of years) between "death" the passing out of the dense physical body, and "birth," the entrance into a newborn body of a baby; as Prof. Max Muller truly remarked, the greatest minds humanity has produced have accepted reincarnation, and reincarnation was and is a never doubted fact to the vast majority of the population of our globe.

It is taught and illustrated in the great epics of the Hindus as an undoubted fact, on which morality is based, and the splendid ancient Hindu literature which is the admiration of European scholars is wholly permeated with it.

The Great Teachers.

The Buddha taught it, and constantly spoke of his past births; Pythagoras, Plato, Virgil and Ovid take it for granted. The ritual composed by the learned of Egypt inculcated it. The Neo-Platonic Schools accepted it, and amongst other Christian Fathers of the Early Church and Christian Gnostics, Origen, the most learned and famous of them, declared literally that "every man received a body according to his deserts, and his former actions."

Even Christ accepted it, telling His disciples that John the Baptist was Elijah come back. Although some six hundred years after the founding of the Christian Church, with the increase of formalism and the decrease of the true spirit of Christianity as taught by Christ, the Christian Gnostics who adhered to the teaching of reincarnation were condemned and driven out, yet Reincarnation continued to be taught by several Christian bodies who remained true to this splendid teaching of the spiritual nature of man and his immortality. In Islam the Sufi mystics teach it. We find it taught by most, if not all the best minds, by poets and philosophers, great statesmen and leaders, by all the "highest intellects" humanity has produced, to mention a few Goethe, Fichte, Schelling, Wordsworth, Browning, Rossetti, Lessing, Tennyson and untold other great poets and philosophers believed in reincarnation.

Prof. MacTaggart when reviewing the various theories of immortality, came to the conclusion that reincarnation was the most rational. The Christian Bible contains many passages which become illuminated only by taking reincarnation for granted, as the cause of the blind man, and the command of Christ to achieve in only one life on earth is utterly impossible as impossible as it is to assert that man can graduate after only one day in school.

The lecturer proceeded with an address on "Cause and Effect," in the course of which he said that every action is made up first of desire, then of the thought, and finally of the physical act itself, and that inevitably results in effects which affect our future desires, our future thoughts and actions; for the Universe is subject to immutable law, reaction ever follows action, and action and reaction are ever equal and opposite, or what a man sows that shall he also reap. To many it would be a surprise to know, he said, that not only

CINEMATOGRAPH IN INDIA.

"ATMOSPHERE OF UNFOUNDED SUSPICION."

Simla, Oct. 18.

The Indian Cinematograph Enquiry Committee held their first sitting to-day, when the draft questionnaire was examined, prior to being issued.

Mr. Rangachariar, as a preliminary to the commencement of the Committee's labours, pointed out that their task was rendered difficult by misunderstanding as to the scope of their work, also, by the atmosphere of prejudice and unfounded suspicion. Reference had been made in the Press that the Committee had been called on to find ways and means, firstly, of tightening up the censorship and thereby helping the British industry against American competition; secondly, for keeping up the white man's and the policeman's prestige and glamour in the eye of the Oriental; lastly, for slyly introducing British performance.

Mr. Rangachariar assured the public that their sole object was an unbiased examination of the persistent allegations of laxity in regard to the censorship and the consequent evil effect of certain films. They desired also to offer encouragement to an indigenous film industry, especially in view of the mass of material afforded by Indian history and literature. Incidentally, consideration would be given to the Imperial Conference resolution about the exhibition within the Empire of Empire films.

THE NEW MAYOR OF MANILA.

MR. T. EARNSHAW CHOSEN.

Mr. Tomas Earnshaw, vice-president and manager of the Earnshaw Docks and Honolulu Iron Works, was appointed mayor of the city of Manila by Acting Governor General Gilmore, on Thursday.

If the appointment is confirmed, Mr. Earnshaw will take over the duties of mayor immediately.

The appointment apparently meets with the general approval of Manilans. Acting Mayor Ariaga, whose title will again revert to city engineer, was pleased with the selection.

While the appointment of a mayor was expected before the termination of the present session of the legislature, the announcement of the appointment came as a surprise to many. Some were of the opinion that former mayor Miguel Romualdez, who was recently in conference with President Coolidge, would have some voice in the appointment. The appointment of Romualdez was disapproved by the senate.

On learning of Mr. Earnshaw's appointment, Acting Senate President Clarin announced that the senate would confirm the nomination on Friday. Senator Clarin was of the opinion that Mr. Earnshaw has the unanimous approval of majority leaders.

A ROYAL VISITOR.



The Queen of Spain, who is visiting England with her daughters.

The following ships were expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day:—Taima, President Grant, Taiming, Delta, Van Heutze, Kalgan, Hozan Maru, Honolulu Haru, Hakone Maru, Bintang, Suisan, Anking, Demodocus, General Metzinger, Tjikandi, Mantua, and Pavlov.

their characters, but also their surroundings, and all the events of their lives were entirely of their own making, and regulated by natural law. Nature helped man's efforts towards better things; while neglect resulted inevitably in stultification.

POST OFFICE NOTICE

XMAS LETTER MAIL FOR GREAT BRITAIN.

Xmas Letter Mail via Marseilles for Great Britain will be closed in the G.P.O. at 9.30 a.m. the 19th inst. per s.s. "Suva Maru". This mail is due in London on the 20th December.

NOTICE.

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The parcels post service to Russia in Asia via Japan is temporarily suspended.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Dutiable articles forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are liable to confiscation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

Parcels post service between Hongkong and Ports of the Yangtze West of Hankow is temporarily suspended.

Parcels for places in Szechwan will now be accepted for transmission at senders' risk. It is to be noted that parcels are liable to delay, and that the service may be suspended again at any time.

Letters and postcards for Europe and the British Isles are forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed.

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Radio Telegraph Services are now in operation between Hongkong and the following places:—

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Rates and further particulars on application to the Radio Counter, 1st Floor, General Post Office Building.

It is notified for information that Feather Fans and Brooches cannot be sent by post to Great Britain. They are prohibited by the Plumage (Prohibition) Act of 1921.

ADDITIONAL NOTICE.

It is hereby notified that on and after 17th October, 1927, radio-telegrams will be accepted by the Radio Telegraph Office, Government Building, for transmission to the American Continents, Hawaiian Islands and Europe through the intermediary of the Radio Corporation of the Philippines at Manila.

Rates and further particulars on application to the Radio Counter, 1st Floor, Government Building.

Radio telegrams are now accepted at the Radio Counter, 1st Floor, Government Building, for transmission to the Dutch East Indies and Dutch Borneo at the rate of \$1.00 per word ordinary and \$0.50 deferred.

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Pres. Jefferson Mon, Nov. 7, 1927.

Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due San Francisco 1st December).

Manila Pres. Hayes Mon, Nov. 7, 5 p.m. Taiming Maru Tues, Nov. 8, 8.30 a.m. Kalgan Tues, Nov. 8, Noon. Letters 1 p.m. (Due Manila 1st December).

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Hai Ning Tues, Nov. 8, 1 p.m. Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles General Metzinger Tues, Nov. 8, K.P.O. Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G.P.O. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 9th December).

Manila Pres. Grant Tues, Nov. 8, 4.30 p.m. Amoy Soochow Tues, Nov. 8, 4.30 p.m. Swatow, Amoy and Formosa Menado Maru Wed, Nov. 9, 8.30 a.m. Swatow Chanan Wed, Nov. 9, 5 p.m. Straits Van Heutze Thurs, Nov. 10, 10.30 a.m. Bangkok Kwangtung Thurs, Nov. 10, 2.30 p.m. Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Hai Ching Fri, Nov. 11, noon. Swatow, Amoy & Formosa Katip Maru Sun, Nov. 12, 9 a.m. Wei Hai Wei Cheongshing Sat, Nov. 12, 3.30 p.m. Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles Macedonia Sat, Nov. 12, K.P.O. Parcels 10th 4.30 p.m. Registration 12th 9 a.m. Letters 12th 10 a.m. G.P.O. Parcels 10th 5 p.m. Registration 12th 9.45 a.m. Letters 12th 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 9th December and due London 15th December).

Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island Taiming Tues, Nov. 15, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m. (Due Thursday Island 26th Nov.).

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Hainang Tues, Nov. 15, Noon.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles Calchas Tues, Nov. 15, Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles 16th December).

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America, and Europe via Vancouver, B.C. and Europe via Siberia Emp. of Asia Tues, Nov. 15, Parcels 1.30 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m. (Due Vancouver, B.C., 4th December).

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles Suwa Maru Sat, Nov. 19, K.P.O. Registration Nov. 18, 4.30 p.m. Letters Nov. 19, 9 a.m. G.P.O. Registration Nov. 18, 8.45 a.m. Letters Nov. 19, 8.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 18th December).

Manila Emp. of Canada Tues, Nov. 22, 8.30 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

The number of people killed on British railways during the year 1926 was 374 and the number injured was 23,433. This represented a decrease last year of 91 persons killed and 2,960 injured, as compared with 1925. The number of killed was below the average for 1915-24, which was 563. The number of injured was slightly above the average for that period, which was 23,044. For "train accidents," taken separately, the total casualty list of passengers, servants, and other

persons shows increases of 12 killed and 374 injured, compared with 1925. The general strike and subsequent trade depression caused a reduction of 163.6 millions of passenger journeys, as compared with the preceding year.

FUNERAL.

LATE MR. AUGUSTO FUERTES.

There was a large attendance at the funeral of the late Mr. Augusto Fuertes on Saturday the majority of the local football and other clubs being well represented. Members of Club de Recreo and the Juvenile Club were the pall-bearers.

Wreaths were laid on the graveside from Michael and Brothers, "Pala" Dick d'Almeida e Castro, Bernardino d'Assumpcao, Carlos d'Assumpcao, Carlos Barreto, Freddy Barreto, A. A. R. Botelho, A. J. Brown, A. E. Carvalho, J. A. Delgado, I. M. Fernandes, A. Ferreira and A. Huber, Aurea M. Franco, Stanley Jarvis, Agim, A. Gosono, Joseph W. Lee, L. Z. Marques, R. Marques, S. Olives and M. U. Razack, Julio Ribeiro, Luis A. da Rocha, D. M. Vieira, Jr., H. E. Vieira and T. Hamet, Augusto Jose Vieira-Ribeiro.

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Club de Recreo (committee and members), Juvenile Club Local Staff of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., European Staff, of the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., St. Joseph's College Football Club, All Banks, H.K.V.D.C., Portuguese Company, H.K.V.D.C., The Members of "A Fisica" St. Louis Club, The Hongkong Football Association, The Hongkong Athletic Association, Botelho Bros. Staff, Friends in the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, The "Footwarmers" and many others.

LAWN BOWLS.

SPEY ROYAL CUP COMPETITION.

The Kowloon Dock Recreation Club beat the Civil Service C. C. in the Spey Royal Cup competition on the Kowloon Cricket Club ground on Saturday, the margin of points being twenty-one to fifteen. Scores:

Kowloon Dock	Civil Service
H. G. Cooper	R. Smith
G. Henderson	A. O. Brown
J. O. McLaggan	W. Grimmett
J. Brown	T. D. E. Pendered

FRIENDLY MATCH.

Taikoo and Scotts Guards Sergeants. The Taikoo Club entertained Sergeant's Mess, Wright, Grant, and Charters of the Scots Guards on Saturday when a mixed rink was played, with two men from each side, opposing each other. The hosts were Messrs. John Sloan, T. Grimshaw, J. Russell and W. Wotterpoon.

After a very enjoyable game the visitors were each presented with spoons as souvenirs of the occasion.

THE POPE AND THE PHILIPPINES.

MANILA ARCHBISHOP IN ROME.

Rome, Nov. 2. The Pope today granted an audience to Archbishop O'Doherty, of Manila, who came to Rome for the tri-centennial of the foundation of the Irish National College.

The Pope showed great interest in the Philippines, and inquired about religious conditions, asking particularly for news concerning Apostolic Delegate Plant.

NEW CHINESE MAYOR OF SHANGHAI.

OUTLINES A USEFUL PROGRAMME.

Swearing to fill his post with honesty and diligence under the pain of willingly incurring the heaviest penalty of the Kuomintang creed, General Chang Ting-fang was officially installed in office as Mayor of the Special Municipality of Greater Shanghai on Tuesday. Following the installation ceremony, General Chang gave a reception to leading Chinese merchants of Shanghai.

The ceremony, and the taking over of the official seals, were very impressive as first General Chang took oath of office and was followed by his subordinates. General Chang made a good start with his new duties and made a good impression by immediately announcing a programme of extensive municipal reform.

General Chang asked, at the reception, for co-operation and support for his new programme which he publicly launched in the following terms: Take a census; make a survey of Chinese Shanghai; improvement of the police force; construction and maintenance of many arterial roads; education of the people in political affairs; and the promotion of agricultural, commercial and industrial enterprises. His guests greatly applauded him after his speech.

THE PESOS 200,000 FORGERY.

THIRD MAN ARRESTED IN MANILA.

Nicolas Gil, a Spanish mestizo, of Virac, Catanduanes, was arrested on Tuesday last week by Detectives Dixon and Damiani, while he was driving in an automobile around Manila. The arrest was made without warrant, but with a reasonable suspicion that Gil had some hand in the forgery of cheques of the San Carlos Milling Co. for P200,000.

Gil is detained in the secret service cell formerly occupied by Joseph L. Wilson, the second man charged in the forgery case. Wilson was transferred to the Luneta cell where he will stay pending completion of the investigation of Gil.

"The arrest, says the Manila Bulletin, was the culmination of the work of Captain G. M. Gader, provincial commander of Albay, which was begun in Legaspi with the arrest of Alfredo Dolores, the first man taken up by the constabulary in connexion with the forgery of the cheques. Captain Gader worked in connexion with the Manila secret service.

REBUILT SHIP FOR YANGTZE.

Hundreds of persons on Wednesday visited the steamer Chang Hsing, lying at the China Merchants' Kin Lee Yuen Wharf, Shanghai, where open house was held and a reception tendered by officials of the San Peh Engineering Works, re-builders of the vessel, which is owned by the Sino-Italian S. S. Company, Ltd.

The vessel was rebuilt, new engines installed, the hull rebuilt and the ship completely redecorated from stem to stern at a cost exceeding Tls. 400,000. She is to go on the Yangtze River service. The Chang Hsing will ply between Shanghai and Hankow. It was stated, and will be put into service in two or three weeks.

The Chang Hsing is a 3,000-ton craft with an indicated horsepower of 2,800. She is 340 ft. over all, has a breadth of 56 ft. and depth of 24 ft. With the new engines she will be capable of developing a speed of 17 knots per hour. It was stated by her Commander, Captain Grata, She flies the Italian flag.

HANSEN WINS.

BRITISH CHAMPION OUTCLASSED.

New York, Nov. 5. Knute Hansen, the Dane, knocked out Phil Scott, the British heavyweight champion, in the first round of their match in the heavyweight elimination series to decide Tunney's challenger.

It was a most sensational two minutes' fighting, in which Scott was down six times without response. Scott was entirely outclassed. A claim for a foul has been registered but it is unlikely that the decision will be reversed.

Scott inappropriately entered the ring clad in a tigerskin pattern dressing-gown. He was greeted with cheers, which redoubled when Dempsey shook him by the hand. "After a few seconds' fighting Scott was floored by a left jab and took a count of three. He rose but immediately resumed a horizontal posture as a succession of knock-downs followed. The fifteen thousand spectators were derisive at Scott's impotence.

A foul claimed. It is claimed that the fourth knock-down caught him low in the left groin. The general opinion is that the blow was low but not sufficiently so to constitute a foul.

The weights were: Scott 195½ lbs.; Hansen 207½ lbs. — *Reuter's American Service.*

PING PONG LEAGUE.

CHINESE ATHLETIC WINS THE TROPHY.

Playing in the League, the Chinese Athletic defeated the University and Tutorial Institute, and thus secure the League Championship with an unbeaten record.

The Chinese Y.M.C.A. are runners-up so far, with only one more match to play, and they are very hopeful of being able to maintain this position. The Ho Ying Club beat South China by a narrow margin, the latter being third in the League to date.

The following table shows the positions of the various teams:

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Chinese Athletic	10	10	1	—	20
Y. M. C. A.	9	8	1	—	18
South China	9	6	3	—	12
University	9	5	3	1	11
Tutorial	9	4	4	1	9
Ho Ying Club	8	5	3	—	10
St. Peter's	7	4	3	—	8
St. Louis	7	2	5	—	4
Catholic Y.M.S.	8	2	6	—	4

RETAINS TITLE.



Walter Hagen, who has retained the United States professional golf championship.

"STARS" DISAGREE.

MARILYN MILLER AND JACK PICKFORD DIVORCED.

Paris, Nov. 2. Marilyn Miller, stage and screen actress, today was granted a divorce from Jack Pickford, of the films. She alleged desertion. The divorce was not unexpected. The couple had been separated for sometime.

SHANGHAI LADY'S DEATH.

SUCCUMBS AFTER BRUTAL ATTACK.

Our Shanghai correspondent cabled this morning reporting the death of Mrs. Forestier, from wounds inflicted last week by a Chinese coolie.

On Thursday our correspondent wired: A discharged coolie attacked Mrs. Forestier, the wife of an assistant in the Asiatic Petroleum Company, with a chopper, and the lady is in a grave condition and is not expected to live.

Details of the Attack.

A brutal assault on a defenceless woman by an unidentified person came to police notice yesterday, when Mrs. E. T. Forestier, wife of the resident engineer of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., was found lying in a pool of blood in her kitchen at her residence at 528 Avenue Haig Estate, shortly before 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, says the *Shanghai Mercury*.

Whilst only slight clues suggesting the identity of the culprit, who perpetrated the outrage are available, the police, who have conducted a preliminary investigation, entertain the suspicion that an ex-house boy, who was discharged by the victim on Oct. 26, was responsible. From all indications, it is added that murder was contemplated.

Mrs. Pate, a friend of the victim, who had a mah-jongg party in the early afternoon, said that it was clear that a debtor was not entitled without qualification for his release under such circumstances. Otherwise, it would mean such a debtor merely by filing a petition and representing in Court that he was not ready for going on with it could effect his release from prison without giving the judgment creditor an opportunity to object or the Official Receiver the opportunity of showing that a receiving order should not be made against debtor because of insufficiency of assets.

The result, said His Lordship would be that a dishonest applicant might deliberately refrain from making application for a receiving order and make use of the procedure to get out of prison without intention of prosecuting his petition and with the intention of flying the country.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

INTERESTING RULING BY CHIEF JUSTICE.

In the Bankruptcy Court on Saturday, Sir Henry Gollan, Chief Justice, delivered judgment in a case in which the debtors involved in bankruptcy were in prison. An application was made by Mr. E. S. C. Brooks for the release of two debtors.

In giving judgment Sir Henry said that Mr. Brooks had informed the Court when he made his application that the two debtors had been arrested in the execution of judgment and that he was not in a position to proceed with the application of a receiving order. Without producing any evidence as to the nature of the judgment on which the debtors had been arrested and without having given to the Official Receiver or anybody else any notice of his intention to do so, he had asked the Court to make an order under the Bankruptcy Ordinance for the discharge of the debtors from prison.

His Lordship, after referring to various sections bearing on the point of law involved, said that it was clear that a debtor was not entitled without qualification for his release under such circumstances. Otherwise, it would mean such a debtor merely by filing a petition and representing in Court that he was not ready for going on with it could effect his release from prison without giving the judgment creditor an opportunity to object or the Official Receiver the opportunity of showing that a receiving order should not be made against debtor because of insufficiency of assets.

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The application was dismissed.

TRUCK FALLS INTO RIVER.

EIGHTEEN PEOPLE INJURED.

Eighteen persons, including six children, were injured early last Thursday morning when a truck in which they were riding backed into the river, off the Talaba bridge near Zapote, Cavite, says a Manila report.

The victims were rushed to Cavite for treatment. The chauffeur, Santiago Gomez, and one of the passengers, Flor de Lisa de Guzman, were in a critical condition last night. Their recovery is doubtful.

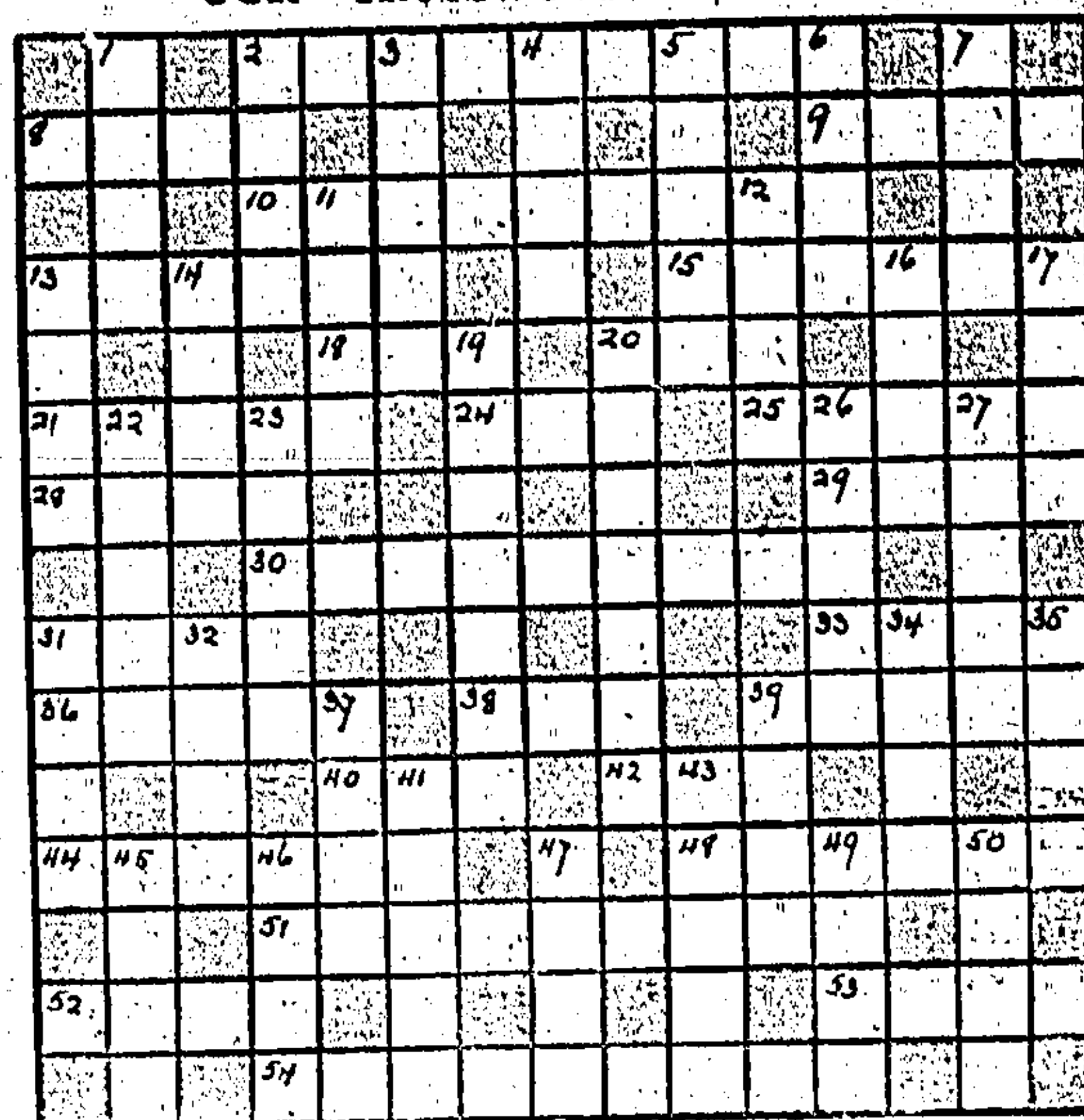
The truck, which carries a public utility license, was on its regular daily run from Salinas, Cavite, to Manila. At the time of the accident there were aboard 28 passengers, who had boarded at the various small barrios. According to reports, the brake pedal broke when the truck was going up the incline approaching the bridge.

The chauffeur stalled the motor in attempting to change gears, and the truck backed into the river.

Fortunately there was very little water at the place where the accident occurred. As the truck turned over the embankment, all the passengers were thrown out, except enough to avoid being hit by the truck when it turned over the second time. Witnesses state that it is surprising that several of the passengers did not lose their lives.

Of the 18 victims, all except two are more or less seriously injured. Passing automobiles succeeded in carrying the injured to the Philippine General Hospital where first aid was rendered and the more serious cases placed in the hospital.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



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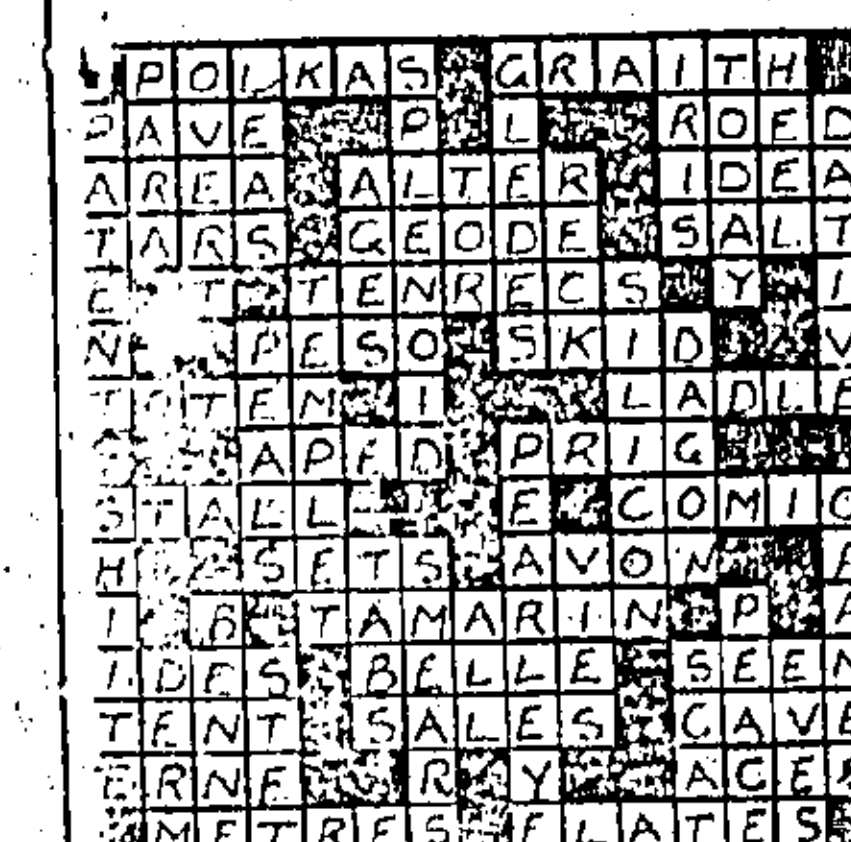
- Make foolish.
- Destroy.
- Bird.
- Article of faith.
- Protect the eyes.
- Literary compositions.
- Timid.
- Metal in primitive state.
- Dwarf.
- Is able.
- Immerse.
- Plant of arum family.
- Cast a sly look.
- Pertinence.
- Exclamation of woo.
- Angers.
- Lease again.
- Completion.
- Cake of flour bread.
- Assist.
- Valuable timber tree.
- Direct away from.
- Pertaining to a noun.
- Used for catching eels.
- Pertaining to the eye.
- Parched.
- Hints.

Down.

- Exhalation.
- Measure of length.
- New.
- Grief.
- Snake.
- Tree.
- Victim.
- Repose.
- Employed.
- Latest.
- Tart.
- Precedes a fever.

- Prophet.
- Called.
- Forward.
- Article of furniture.
- Scandinavian language.
- Derived from oil.
- Number.
- Sunken space before window.
- Genus of lily.
- Colour of a horse.
- Correlative to buy.
- Shred.
- Wild plum.
- Mohammedanism.
- Part of the leg.
- Long live.
- Breed.
- Storing place.
- Moriment.
- Shrub from which indigo is made.

Saturday's Puzzle.



IRENE PIRACY.

EVIDENCE OF CHINESE STEWARDS.

Further evidence of identification of the various defendants arraigned on charges in connexion with the recent piracy on the s.s. Irene was given by former stewards of the ill-fated ship before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy on Saturday morning, when the preliminary hearing was continued.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith is appearing for the Crown, with Mr. Leo d'Almeida e Castro, Jnr., representing the fourth defendant and Mr. C. A. S. Russ, watching the proceedings on behalf of the owners of the Irene.

With the exception of the fifth defendant, all accused were identified by a steward as having been concerned in the piracy. The witness, together with others, was confined in the accountant's office for half an hour before being released. On arrival in Bias Bay and after the Submarine L4 had started firing, witness jumped overboard and was rescued by the L4.

Witness went on to say that the first defendant, together with the second, was seen to ransack the luggage. They were both armed with revolvers. The third had no gun but assisted the other two men. The fourth accused was armed and he was seen by witness to go to the cargo hold to take several tins of cigarettes.

The sixth defendant helped the fourth in his work and was seen to be carrying a firearm. The last defendant was armed with a chopper.

The Crew Accused.

Another steward spoke of the appearance of nine men who went to the cabins in the first class compartment and asked the passengers if they possessed any firearms. They then began to ransack the luggage. Witness detailed the actions of each of six of the defendants whom he recognized, corroborating the previous witness as far as their experiences coincided. Witness was unable to identify the sixth defendant.

The third accused was seen to go into cabin No. 9 of the second class compartment, while the first defendant was seen to bring a quantity of money out of the accountant's room. With the exception of the seventh defendant, who had a chopper, the others carried firearms.

The second defendant was seen walking about the steerage quarters with several rolls of cloth in his possession. These he had taken from the cargo hold.

Second Defendant (Cross-examined witness): This man also appropriated tins of cigarettes.

His Worship: Does that help your case even if he did?

Second Defendant: He says that the pirates took all the things away, but we did not. The crew took some things also.

The witness, when asked, denied that members of the Chinese crew took any of the cigarettes.

The case was then adjourned.

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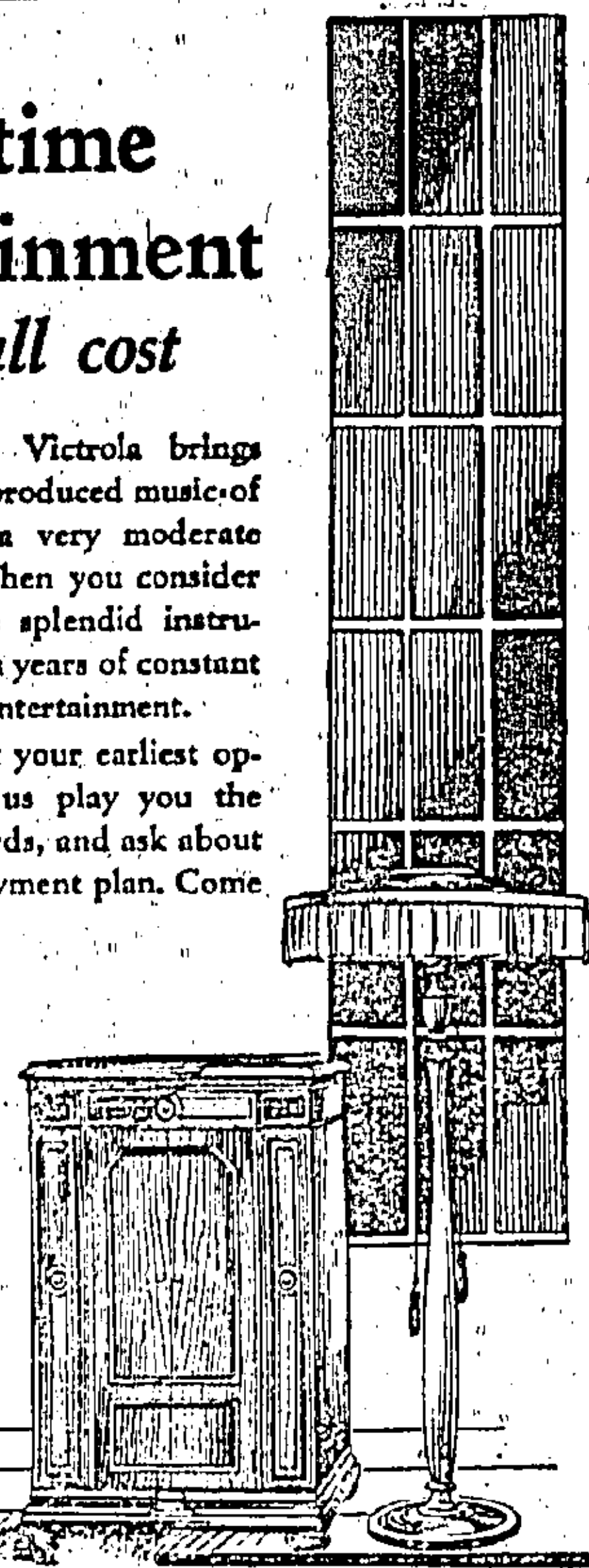
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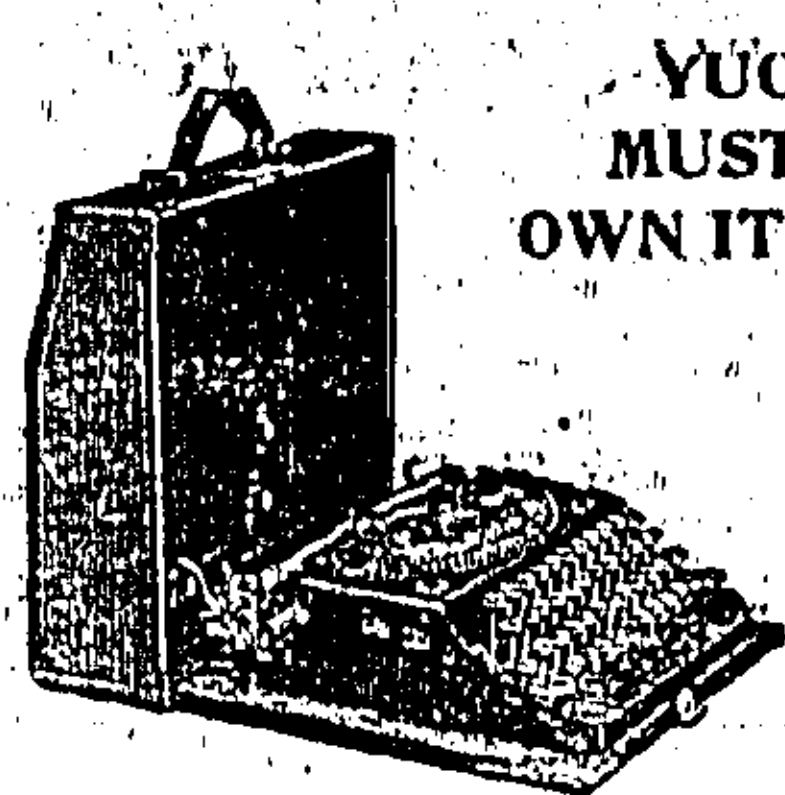
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MARRIAGE.

QUIE—WALLER.—At Hongkong, November 5th, 1927, Joseph Leslie, only son of Mrs. and Mrs. L. Quie of Liverpool, England, to Helen Yvonne Wilson, elder daughter of the late Mr. C. A. Waller of Penang and of Mrs. C. A. Waller, Hongkong.

The
Hongkong Telegraph

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1927.

DOGS AND GAMBLING.

In view of the announcement that Shanghai is soon to receive a consignment of greyhounds for the purpose of inaugurating greyhound racing in that port it is of more than ordinary interest to note that there are, in the latest newspapers to hand, signs of wholesome alarm at home about the vast increase of betting which has followed upon the rise of the new vogue. Let us quote one very well-known contributor to *The Nation*, which is a journal well qualified to speak on such a moral issue: "It is hardly too much to say that this 'sport' is simply a huge betting machine. Writing here months ago I expressed my surprise that this enormous extension of the most vicious form of gambling—gambling in small sums by people least able to lose their money—should have been accepted without any important protest from Press or pulpit that I could hear of. Moral indignation is, I suppose, out of fashion, but no one who cares at all about the decency of life can afford to ignore this sudden and dangerous addition to the social evils of the time. There were people who accepted greyhound racing as being more humane than courting the live hare, and who seemed to be oblivious of the gigantic betting evil involved. The new craze was commended by others as an amusing and innocent sport. I have myself found it to be a miserable and depressing spectacle, and I cannot believe that it has any chance of survival except as an excuse for gambling. If there are a sufficient number of people willing to pay to see the foolish performance of dogs running after a piece of machinery to make it worth while, there is no reason why the 'sport' should not continue, but surely, falling interference by the law courts, Parliament should stop the demoralization of the working people by this wholesale gambling. I should feel more hopeful if I did not know that the Treasury is making about £10,000 a week out of it."

That is an opinion to which need might, with profit, be given. Shanghai is going to start the "sport" and it is worth while recalling what our special correspondent there wrote us only a few days ago on the subject of gambling. He said that if it was true what a visitor said some years ago, namely, that Shanghai was drunk with wealth and gambling, then it was equally true that there was ten times more gambling going on to-day. There are almost weekly race meetings all the year round and there is, proportionately, more horse racing in Shanghai than in any other part of the world. Added to this there has of late been introduced the vogue of roulette which is surreptitiously carried on in various parts of the International Settlement and French Concession. And now, Shanghai is going to have its dog racing, which so far as the Home experience goes is described as a "huge betting machine." We sincerely hope that Hongkong will escape the rage, even though it remains in the opinion of some a "dead" spot. There is no denying the fact that the lure of gambling is much more widespread to-day than it was ten years ago and we are sufficiently "old fashioned" to believe that such cannot be for the lasting good or benefit of the people. And especially here in China, where there is gambling enough already and where the people need to understand and appreciate the principles of thrift much more than they do at present, there would seem to be no room for the introduction of further schemes of "chance."

The Incidence of Piracy.

At the moment a trial is going on of seven men accused of participation in the piracy of the s.s. Irene. That affair had a more than tragic sequel, for the sinking of the vessel followed, after a British submarine, which happened to be in the vicinity had signalled the ship to stop, and was obliged to open fire when the order was disobeyed. The outbreak of fire on board the Irene, the gradual sinking of the vessel, and the panic and loss of some lives, provided a tale of piracy on the high seas such as no author has excelled in contemporary fiction. The issues involved have been the subject of much discussion, and the matter may be left there for the present. The necessity for British, or any other warships, to do what they can to suppress piracy in these waters, cannot be gainsaid. But, the point we desire to emphasise is the remarkable incidence of piracy on the China coast, particularly in the south, which these past few months has probably exceeded any previous period in fairly recent history. This has been the case despite all that has been done to counter the activities of freebooters. We had grilles and guards, and later even more stringent regulations, and for about two years piracy on a big scale was comparatively rare. Then came a crop of these "affairs," with sensational happenings in most cases. Now, hardly a day passes without the report of such an occurrence. If it is not a steam launch or coaster, it is a junk, or a Yangtze boat, and so forth. It proves that the ranks of bandits and pirates, operating in whatever part of China appears to offer suitable opportunities, have greatly swelled of late. It is a reflection of the very unsettled conditions in the country. But it makes the problem of anti-piracy measures more difficult. All that has been tried has failed to deter the gangs who are at work. Nothing short of strict co-operation by all the Chinese authorities can stamp out the evil. It looks as if the pirates, like the poor, are always to be with us; and that, in the absence of the assistance which we have the right to expect from those who are concerned, we shall have to take our own remedies, and rightly claim absolute justification in what ever may transpire.

Arrested on a charge of being in possession of 230 taels of raw opium on board the s.s. Liang Chau, which arrived from Canton yesterday, a passenger Swatow appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's this morning and was fined \$5,750, with the alternative of eight months' hard labour, in default. It was stated that the opium was found in the defendant's luggage, concealed in the lining of a clothes basket.

DAY BY DAY.

DEEDS ALONE SUFFICE.—Whittier.

One case of diphtheria and one of enteric fever, both Chinese, were reported on Friday.

The P. and O. s.s. Delta is due here from Shanghai to-morrow morning.

The s.s. Empress of Canada left Vancouver on Friday last and is due here on the 21st.

An elderly Chinese woman was fined \$50, by Mr. W. Schofield this morning, for having in her possession at Mongkok 306 Po Fiu Lottery tickets, and a quantity of documents relating to the lottery.

A Chinese who was caught breaking into the backyard at No. 8, Langdale Street, Wanchai, made a clean breast of the affair when charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning. He said: "I went there to steal a pair of trousers, hanging on a line." The Magistrate: "You are frank about it. Four weeks."

An eight-year-old girl, the daughter of Mr. F. X. Remedios, of No. 559, Nathan Road, was attacked and bitten on Saturday by a dog belonging to Mr. Harris, who lives at a house in the same road. The child has been treated by Dr. Wong, while the dog has been removed to the observation depot at Mataukok.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy this morning, with the theft of a length of suction pipe from the s.s. Hanyang, at Taikoo Docks yesterday. Evidence was given to the effect that some 16 feet of the suction pipe had been cut away in a similar manner, the culprits being believed to be workmen employed at the Docks. The defendant was sentenced to four weeks' hard labour, or 14 days in default, for stealing two pounds of scrap iron from a workshop.

In H. M. Police Court, on Shanghai, on Tuesday, before the Magistrate (Mr. I. T. Morris), Chahusung Hirasang Bedi was charged on remand with fraudulently converting money and goods belonging to Wathmal Bolochand & Co., and with making false entries in books, accounts and documents. The amount involved is approximately Tls. 50,000. Mr. E. H. Platt appeared for the complainants and Mr. J. R. Jones represented the defendant. P. Doulatram, bookkeeper, said that, on the instructions of Bedi, he had made various entries in the books of the company. Witness was taken at length through the account books of the company by counsel for the plaintiff firm and gave particulars of various transactions which had taken place whilst the defendant was manager of the firm. The hearing again was adjourned.

Recent changes in the personnel of H. M. Consular service include the following: Mr. F. A. Wallis, formerly acting Consul at Kiukiang, now is in charge of the Land Office in the Shanghai Consulate-General, and his place in Kiukiang eventually will be filled by Mr. E. W. P. Mills. The latter, however, suddenly had to undergo an operation for appendicitis last week, which necessitated the hurried departure for Kiukiang of Mr. W. C. Cassels in his stead. Mr. Cassels in turn has been relieved by Mr. G. E. Stockley and is expected back in a few days. Mr. Stockley will remain in the Yangtze port until Mr. Mills, who is progressing favourably, is able to go to his post. Mr. N. Fitzmaurice arrived in Shanghai on Monday from home leave, but it still is uncertain where he will be stationed. Mr. W. V. R. Hughes, who has been one of H. M. Vice-Consuls at Hankow during the past two years, will sail for home leave on board the P. & O. S. Macedonia, on November 8.

EXCHANGE RATES.

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Paris	124.05
Geneva	25.25
Berlin	20.30
Oslo	18.47
Helsingfors	19.34
Athens	307.2
Bombay	1/5 15/16
Yokohama	1/10 13/16
New York	4.87
Amsterdam	12.07 1/2
Stockholm	18.10 1/2
Vienna	34.60
Madrid	38.55
Bucharest	78.72
Shanghai	2/6 1/2
Brussels	34.93
Milan	89.15
Copenhagen	18.17 1/2
Prague	104.4
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CORRESPONDENCE.

Pity the Children.

(To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir,—As a probable result of the drastic measures wisely adopted by the Government in the effort to stamp out Rabies, we have recently seen much activity by local ladies in connexion with the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. Whether I am right in associating this activity with the shooting of dogs is really immaterial, because the point I wish to make deals with the highest form of animal life, which is apparently less deserving in Hongkong than are the lives of the lower orders. I refer to children.

Since I have been in Hongkong, my heart has bled on countless occasions for the native children. I have seen babies of but a few weeks old, strapped on to their mothers' backs, head lolling back without any covering, and the poor wee eyes trying to open against the merciless glare of a tropical sun. Have none of these ladies who pity dogs seen this?

I have seen tiny youngsters toiling up to the Peak, children of six or seven summers, beneath a load of coal, stones or other material, their little backs bent to a degree which promises future deformity.

I have seen mere babes, emaciated and covered with sores, placed on our pavements employed as an argument to importune passers-by to give alms. Are these things unknown to those who now seek to better the lot of animals?

It is hoped to raise ten thousand dollars for the dogs and other animals. Will not someone start a fund to open a branch of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children? Surely they should merit equal attention. To me it is a sad state of affairs that Hongkong's womenfolk should think of the animal before the children.

Enclosing, my card, Yours, etc.
MERCY.
Hongkong, Nov. 6th, 1927.

POPPY DAY.

THIS YEAR'S SPECIAL EFFORT.

A very special effort is being made this year in connexion with Poppy Day—Friday next—when it is hoped to raise in Hongkong and the outports a record sum to be sent home in aid of Earl Haig's British Legion Appeal Fund. Last year's sum totalled £2,236, but the special Poppy Day Committee of the Hongkong Branch of the British Legion, which is in charge of the arrangements, is sparing no pains to make this year outstrip all others. Owing to unemployment and consequent distress at home there is more need than ever this year to be liberal in assisting the great task of helping ex-service men.

We learn from enquiries made to-day that no fewer than 50,000 poppies are here ready for the sale on Friday, and that there will be at least 150 ladies and children helping the sale on the Hongkong side (with headquarters at the City Hall). The Kowloon sale is being organised by Mrs. Easterbrook, with headquarters at the Y. M. C. A. Over 12,000 poppies are being distributed among the army and navy, the coast ports and on ships passing through Hongkong which will be at sea on the 11th, and it will thus be seen that a very thorough covering of the field is being effected.

In addition to the sale of poppies, 250 personal appeals have been addressed to prominent Hongkong residents of all nationalities soliciting subscriptions, and we hear that H.E. the Officer-Administering the Government has already generously led the way in response.

Friday is really a solemn day of remembrance, and there will be the usual service in the Cathedral, the observance of a "two minutes' silence" at 11 o'clock and the wreath-laying ceremony at the Cenotaph. A special appeal is being sent out to all members of the British Legion to attend the ceremony, and a new departure this year is the joint appeal which is being issued by the British Legion and the President of the Ex-Active Servicemen's Association, asking all those who saw service in the late war to make a point of attending the Cathedral and Cenotaph services. A Church Parade has been arranged in connexion with the Cathedral service, and there will doubtless be a large attendance.

A painful accident occurred in a busy Tai Ping street, in the F.M.S. last week, when the Sanitary Board's expert gang of tree-cutters brought down a large tree, killing two Chinese children, aged five and six years, who were playing in the road. They were the daughters of a local merchant.

The Very Idea!

A notice in a photographer's shopwindow reads: "Your baby, if you have one, can be enlarged, tinted, and framed for 80s." As one dear old soul observed: "They never did them things to kids in my day."

The registrar at Dorking had a comical experience recently. A young farm labourer came with his bride to the registry office to be married, and solemnly counted out thirty threepenny pieces to pay for the license. The registrar in surprise asked the reason for this, and the young man naively replied, "I have been courting the girl for several years, and I told her when I had saved seven and six in threepenny bits I would marry her." The license costs, with the stamp, seven shillings and sevenpence, and as the bridegroom said he had no more money the registrar himself paid the odd penny.

Willesden woman: He was lying in front of the kitchen fire, only there was not one.

Policeman at Highgate: I told him to go away, and he said "You go away yourself." Magistrate: And then what happened? Policeman: We went to the police station together.

Man at Marylebone: I came up from Bristol to see the football match. Mr. Bingley, magistrate. Another Welshman? Man: No, I am a Bristolian. Mr. Bingley: I beg your pardon.

At Bow County Court: What did your lodger say when you gave him notice? Landlady: Nothing. His wife said it all for him.

Chairman at Kingston: If the men were in plain clothes, how did you know that they were policemen? Man: By their faces and feet.

A poll of the parish of Pinner, held to decide the question of whether it was preferable to amalgamate with Harrow or join Hendon Rural District Council in a new urban district with Wealdstone, resulted in favour of amalgamation with Harrow by the narrow margin of nine votes. There were 659 votes cast in favour of amalgamation with Harrow, and 650 against. Pinner at present is one of the five parishes forming the Hendon rural district.

The Government motor car is all brakes and no engine.—Sir Herbert Samuel.

Flying is far more engaging than bridge, dancing, or motoring. The Duchess of Bedford.

It is no pleasure to me, as a Magistrate, to punish people. In fact, it is a miserable life.—Mr. H. C. A. Bingley.

To be in the presence of Mussolini is in itself an inspiration and a stimulation.—Mayor Walker of New York.

Ladies are always very sensitive on their wash day, and one must make allowance for them.—Mr. W. B. Luke (Willesden Magistrate.)

Magistrate: "So you are the sole survivor of the shipwreck. Tell me how you came to be saved." Witness: "I arrived late at the dock, and missed the boat."

"Why are you divorcing your husband?"

"Well, the other night he was reading the paper and I slipped under and kissed him on his bald spot."

"Yes?"

"And he said, 'Quit playing, honey, and get out those letters. I dictated yesterday.'"

A young diplomat, now in London, recently returned from the Near East, is telling an amusing story of an experience in Iraq. Being desirous of an audience with King Feisal, the American presented himself at the office of a prominent British resident, and made his request. "Certainly," said the Briton. "I'll arrange it at once." He lifted the telephone receiver and put in a call to the palace. While awaiting a reply he turned to the American and said: "By the way, what do you want the King for—tea, dinner or tennis?"

An amusing impersonation of the "Michelin Man" at Tai Ping, F.M.S., has had a sequel in the police court. A Chinese cyclist entered the town fully wrapped up in bicycle tubes. It was discovered that the tubes were full of illit liquor which had been collected from various village stills. The culprit was detained whilst the police searched for the stills.

DRAMATIC SHANGHAI TRIAL.**WIVES OF PRISONERS CREATE SCENE.****STRUGGLE FOR LIBERTY.**

Dramatic scenes, in the course of which wives and children of three men sentenced to penal servitude for life screamed and shouted alternate threats and pleas; moments of agony when hysterical sweethearts of the prisoners threw themselves upon the stone courtyard and dashed their heads upon the cobblestones, featured the conclusion of a trial in the Provisional Court at Shanghai last Tuesday. Three Chinese were sentenced to imprisonment for life for murder and armed robbery.

Prior to passing sentence upon the accused, Judge Liang Long delivered a lecture to them for nearly 20 minutes in which he severely censured them for their offences, calling them bandits. The men listened in sullen silence throughout, unknowing what fate was in store for them. But when the sentence was pronounced, pandemonium was let loose for a few minutes in the courtroom. The female relative of the accused sent up one ear-splitting yell and had to be rushed out of the court. The prisoners struggled and had to be overpowered by a force of foreign and Chinese police officers. One prisoner, in the moments between his removal from the courtroom and his entry into the prison van, succeeded in throwing himself to the ground and dashing his forehead with great force against it, inflicting a great gash upon his head.

The prison van was hurriedly driven from the scene in order to evade the frantic clamourings of the womenfolk who insisted on a last word with their menfolk, but long after its departure the women continued to literally "raise Cain" within the precincts of the court. A Chinese detective who had figured in the case and had been instrumental in arresting the accused, came in for a lot of attention at their hands and finally had to be escorted from the compound by other detectives, who drew their pistols for the purpose but met with no further resistance.

SHANGHAI COUNSEL FINED.**LATE APPEARANCE IN COURT.**

Eighteen months' imprisonment was the sentence given at Shanghai on Wednesday in the Provisional Court, to a Chinese shroff employed by the American firm of L. E. Gale and Company, who was found guilty of embezzling Tls. 1,000, money collected by the accused during his tenure of office with the firm.

Mr. A. F. Allman, who appeared on behalf of the complainants, protested against the delay in this case caused by the non-appearance of counsel for the defence, Mr. Maow. "It seems to me," said Mr. Allman, "that it is up to the attorneys of the Court to help speed up these cases, and not to delay the court. I suggest that counsel for the defence be fined Tls. 25, to be given to the poor box. This is the second time this lawyer has failed to appear on time."

Judge Wan agreed with counsel for the prosecution and fined the defaulting lawyer \$20.

The accused pleaded that his guarantor had since died and that he thought the money had already been repaid. The Court suspended sentence against the accused pending re-payment or the guarantee of repayment of Tls. 2,000 within a period of two years.

MANILA HEARD IN CALIFORNIA.**A LONG-DISTANCE RADIO RECORD.**

All records for long distance reception of station KZRM, Radio Manila, were shattered recently, it was learned last Wednesday upon the receipt of a letter from the United States saying that a Manila programme was heard in California.

The letter was from William MacDonald of Chula Vista, California. He stated that about 5 a.m. Pacific Coast time on July 23, he heard the announcements from the local station and also listened in on several violin solos played by Ernest Manera. One of the solos was "Drigo's Serenade."

The management of the broadcasting station on receipt of the letter, consulted the files of programmes for the month of July verifying the report of the Californian. The distance is the greatest yet covered by the Manila stations.

"MERRIE ENGLAND."**PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY'S EFFORT.**

This opera which is a departure from the Gilbert and Sullivan fare so far placed before the public by the Philharmonic Society, is well advanced in rehearsals, and the Colony may be assured that the production will be up to the usual standard of the Society.

The music, which is in the capable hands of Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M., is entirely different to that of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas, and the spirit of Old England runs through the opera from end to end.

Briefly, the story is, that the townspeople of Windsor are celebrating May Day, and are visited by Queen Elizabeth in a field on the banks of the Thames near Windsor. All are merry, and the time is spent in the election and crowning of the May Queen, singing and dancing, interposed with what was in those days, the favourite sport of baiting a witch. The love story of Raleigh and Bessie Throckmorton and the intrigues of the Earl of Essex for the throne are also portrayed.

The Court and crowd are entertained by two of the players of Will Shakespeare's company, Walter Wilkins and Silas Simpkins, who furnish the comic element.

The production is being undertaken by Eng. Lieut. Comdr. A. S. Bedells R.N., and the dancing, which is such an important feature of the opera is being arranged by Miss Daisy O'Keefe.

The opera is being staged in December, the dates being announced in an advertisement in this issue.

HONGKONG TRADE.**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.**

The fortnightly market report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce states: "Cotton Piece Goods.—Marked quiet with nothing of interest to report. The latest quotations are those of the 1st inst. Ex. Sakel, 18.70d. Mid. Amer. "Spot" 11.55d.

Cotton Yarn.—Market has been extremely quiet and there is nothing fresh to report. Prices have weakened further. Quotations are purely nominal: No. 10s, \$175/190. No. 12s, \$170/185. No. 16s, \$190/195. No. 20s, \$195/200. Arrivals: Nil. Shipments: Nil. Sales Nil. Unsold stocks 3,900 bales. Bargains 10,400 bales.

Woolens.—Market dull. Some enquiry for Union Coatings for quick shipment, but poor bookings. Raw Cottons.—No business to report.

Metals.—Market very dull; only small business passing at low figures.

Flour Market Report.—Stock: American 300,000 bags; Canadian 90,000 bags; Australian 10,000 bags. Market: Quiet, with a downward tendency. Quotations: American Patent \$3.10-3.35 per sack; American Straight \$3.12-3.38 per sack; American Cut off \$3.12-3.38 per sack; Canadian Cut off \$3.16-3.18 per sack; Canadian Straight \$3.08-3.13 per sack; Canadian Mixture \$2.95 per sack; Canadian 2nd Clear \$2.85 per sack.

Saltpetre.—Stocks 16,000 bags. Very quiet market throughout the fortnight.

HOSPITAL SHIP LEAVES.**"MAINE" ON THE WAY HOME.**

Another manifestation of the gradual withdrawal of British forces from China was the departure of Home to-day, of the hospital ship "Maine."

She sailed shortly after mid-day, but is not due to reach London until December 27th. The "Maine" is calling at Singapore, Indian ports, Aden, and Malta picking up patients, thus accounting for the long passage.

The Ven. Archdeacon Ding Ingong was last Tuesday consecrated Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Fukien at All Saints Church, Rue Lafayette, Shanghai. Fukien is one of the eleven Dioceses of the Chung Hua Shen Kung Hui—that branch of the Christian Church in China which has grown up under the fostering care of the Missions of the Church of England and of the Episcopal Churches of the United States and Canada. The consecration of the second Chinese bishop marks a notable step in the quiet steady growth of this communion in China.

The prisoner who escaped from the Police Station at Cheungchau but was re-arrested after a short spell of freedom was sentenced at the Central Police Court this morning to two months' hard labour on the charge of escaping from police custody.

SHIP SEIZED.**BY DISSATISFIED SOLDIERS.****SHANGHAI EXCITEMENT.**

The steamer Haing Ning Hsing, of the San Peh Steamship Company, with 200 passengers, 250 unarmed Nationalist soldiers and a general cargo aboard, steamed down the Whangpoo River on Wednesday morning en route to Foochow. Just before Woosung was reached things began to happen. They happened with a suddenness which startled both officers of the vessel and passengers alike.

On a lower deck of the ship the 250 Nationalist soldiers were brooding over their wrongs. Had they not been promised the magnificent sum of 40 cents?

They had. Had they received the sum of 40 cents? They had not.

Well then, who was to blame? From one and all came the answer: The general in charge of them was to blame.

Overpower Officers.

Smouldering fires of wrath soon burst into leaping flames of action. The 250 soldiers charged the officers of the ship, they overpowered and wounded the Chief Officer, Mr. Hansen. They intimidated the Commander of the vessel, Capt. B. Johansen, and also injured a foreign passenger.

In the meantime, the general in charge of the ragged troops beat a hasty retreat and locked himself in his cabin. He refused to emerge, despite the loud calls and demands for 40 cents for each and every soldier on board.

Passengers, meantime, were in a state of excitement for the soldiers refused to permit the vessel to proceed. The soldiers declared that they were being sent to Foochow against their wishes, that they had been promised 40 cents each, which they had not received, and that they would not permit the ship to continue to Foochow unless they received the 40 cents. Even then they stated, they were not at all sure that they would continue the trip.

The Captain pleaded. A missionary on board with a fluent knowledge of Chinese pleaded. Others pleaded. No use. Either they would receive 40 cents then and there or someone would not live to tell the tale. Dark looks were cast at the cabin where the general held forth behind locked and barred doors.

The River Police heard of the trouble and despatched a boat to the scene. The police, however, did not board the ship, it was stated.

A Delegation.

A delegation of passengers and others visited the cabin of the general. Would the brave general please come out and pay the soldiers 40 cents each? They wanted to know.

The brave general would not—said so emphatically. All right then, would the fearless Chinese leader of gallant soldiers, unarmed but nevertheless valiant, be good enough to hand out sufficient funds to pay the soldiers the amount they demanded?

There was a pause. A moment of silence. The fearless one was considering.

Minutes passed and the soldiers forced the ship's officers to turn back to Shanghai. The Fearless One in his cabin became alarmed. He summoned the delegation and announced that he would pay.

The general paid—but the ship returned to Shanghai and moored alongside the C. M. Wharf.

More action followed. Stern Chinese militarists, armed to the teeth, came aboard. They arrested the two ringleaders of the uprising. They hustled them off to military headquarters at Lung-hwa and late that night reports from Lung-hwa stated that both men had been tried by a military court, found guilty and executed.

Reports concerning the fight on board the vessel vary but it was stated by an official that the Chief Officer was injured when he attempted to prevent the soldiers from dropping anchor. Fortunately, the soldiers were unarmed, except with crude weapons picked up on the vessel. Had they been armed with rifles or pistols it is believed they would have completely looted the vessel.

It was 2 p.m. when the vessel returned to Shanghai. The general was still in his cabin. Less than two hours later the trouble was settled and the ship was again steaming down stream for Woosung on the first lap of the Foochow trip. The general was on board—still in his cabin. The soldiers, with 40 cents in their possession and their ringleaders missing, were quite satisfied and docile.

Fresh monsoon is still to be expected along the coast. The observatory predicts the weather will till noon to-morrow, to be—"North winds, fresh line."

BRITISH HOSPITAL AT PAKHOI.**NOW CARRIED ON BY CHINESE.****(Our Own Correspondent.)**

Pakhoi, Nov. 1. The British Hospital here has been carried on by local Chinese workers for the past year. The General Hospital has been closed but a hundred lepers have been cared for under the able management of Mr. Jonas Lee. The Maternity Hospital has been in full swing.

Last month the staff had the pleasure of welcoming Dr. Samuel Seng and his wife and children. In July last year Dr. Seng was on his way from Shanghai to Pakhoi he was captured by pirates on the s.s. Kwong Lee and kept in chains and captivity until mid-December when his release was bought for a heavy ransom.

He has now fully recovered from his ill-treatment and since his arrival here the number of patients has increased daily. The Women's Hospital is now so overcrowded that the empty Girls' School Building adjoining the hospital is being prepared to accommodate the overflow of maternity patients.

A YOUTHFUL THIEF CAUGHT.**STOLE FROM A CLOTHES LINE.**

A young Chinese was caught in the act of stealing a jacket from the back of No. 1, Cox's Road, on Friday, but when charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, he completely denied the theft.

Mr. E. L. Stainfield, who arrested the defendant, gave evidence of having seen the accused climb over the wall at the back of No. 1, Cox's Road, and take a jacket which was hanging on the line. The defendant then scaled the wall again, and on seeing witnesses ran into Cox's Road and concealed himself behind the gate of No. 1.

Noticing the approach of Mr. and Mrs. Fraser, the defendant made an attempt to run away, but after a short chase witness caught him, and later handed him over to the Police.

The defendant in evidence said that he was on his way to Hung-ho to purchase food for his master.

His Worship registered a conviction, and remanded the defendant for 24 hours for the attendance of the boy's master.

WHEN SIKHS FALL OUT.**QUARREL OVER A DEBT.**

At the Central Police Court this morning, Charr Singh, a Police Guard, was charged with assaulting Hakam Singh, a house watchman.

The assaulted man said he obtained a judgment recently against Charr Singh for the payment of a sum of money. It was while he sought to realise on the judgment that Charr Singh, who was said to be reluctant to discharge his obligation, attacked witness and injured him in the arm.

When a complaint was made to Sub-Inspector Nand Singh, a watch was kept on the Canton steamers, and Charr Singh was arrested while going aboard the Fatshan. It was said that he had previously obtained leave from guard duties on the pretext of going into hospital.

The Magistrate (Mr. R. E. Lind-sell) sentenced defendant to six weeks' hard labour, while ordering compensation in the amount of \$25 to be paid to the complainant, failing which the defendant was to serve a further term of one month.

"THAT'S MY BABY."**HIGHLY AMUSING FILM AT THE QUEEN'S.**

That Hollywood is not entirely devoid of new ideas even for humour—is clearly shown by "That's My Baby," the film now being exhibited at the Queen's Theatre, and in which Douglas Maclean is featured. Thrills in an aeroplane and a parachute descent with Douglas carrying the baby lend additional interest.

The greatest scope for humour is contained in the fall of a tent at a charity bazaar, and the treatment leaves nothing to be desired, and the audience in fits of laughter. It is a picture that should not be missed.

A POLICE "PETTING" PARTY.**SEQUEL IN SHANGHAI COURT.****A CHARGE OF BUCKSHOT.**

An interesting sequel to recent police "petting" parties on roads in the Western district came to light at the Provisional Court at Shanghai, on Tuesday, when a Chinese was charged with being an armed robber. It will be recalled that during the summer numerous motorists were robbed whilst their cars were parked on outlying roads. In one instance bandits shot the steering wheel of a car in which a foreign gentleman and lady were sitting, frightening both. Two other instances were reported several days later, in one of which Mr. M. O. Springfield raced away from a gang as he returned from the Hungjao Golf Club.

During the last week in August a special squad of police, Regulars and Specials, organized a trap. On August 30 an officer dressed as a lady and another in civilian clothes, sat in the front seat and "petted." In the body of the car were several others. Others had secreted themselves in the ditch to either end of the machine. Some carried automatics, others had sawed-off shotguns.

The Sequel.

It was just after midnight, according to evidence in the Court yesterday, that persons were heard approaching. The driver lit a cigarette so as to reveal himself and the "lady." In an instant the car was surrounded and the gang flashed their electric torches. The police got into action, but did not begin to shoot until they saw whether the gang carried weapons. By that time the crooks began to scatter. The police opened fire and between 20 and 30 shots were fired. At the time it was not known whether anyone was wounded. The next day, however, the Chapei police arrested a man with 19 buckshot under his flesh.

This man was in Court on Tuesday. No police witness could identify him, however, but pellets removed by surgeons—there were still 15 in his body—corresponded to those used by the police at the time.

The case was remanded for a week to permit the attendance of the Chapei police.

It is interesting to note that since the battle between police and robbers, no legitimate "petting" parties have reported that they were molested.

FIGHT ON S.S. SEISTAN.**CALL ANSWERED BY FIRE FLOATS.**

Police signals given by the s.s. Seistan as she lay anchored in the western part of the harbour shortly after seven o'clock last night were mistaken for calls to the Fire Brigade, and as a result two firefloats were dispatched to the scene, but later returned after a fruitless search for a supposed burning ship.

It transpires however, that a fight had occurred on the Seistan which had its origin in a dispute over the engagement of certain seamen, and was purely confined to the crew, although one passenger got in the way and was injured. The signals were intended to be a police call, and the Water Police duly arrived on board, to take those of the crew involved into custody. Four of them, as well as the injured passenger, were taken to hospital.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?**TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.**

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the Daily Express. Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

1. How did Downing-street get its name?
2. What is the origin of the term costermonger?
3. To what beverage was the description "Cheers but not tributes" originally applied, and by whom?
4. What famous building in the City of London is surmounted by an ancient Roman symbol as a "luck bringer"?
5. What two Acts of Parliament protect the plane-tree at the Cheapside end of Wood-street, in the City of London?
6. What is a cantilever?
7. What animal familiar to everybody has eight legs?
8. What was the original signification of the Apocrypha?
9. What is the origin of the broad arrow?
10. Who is the present pretender to the British Throne?
11. What share or stocks are known respectively as "Bugs," "Bats," and "Fags"?
12. From what class does the word "diagnositis" come?

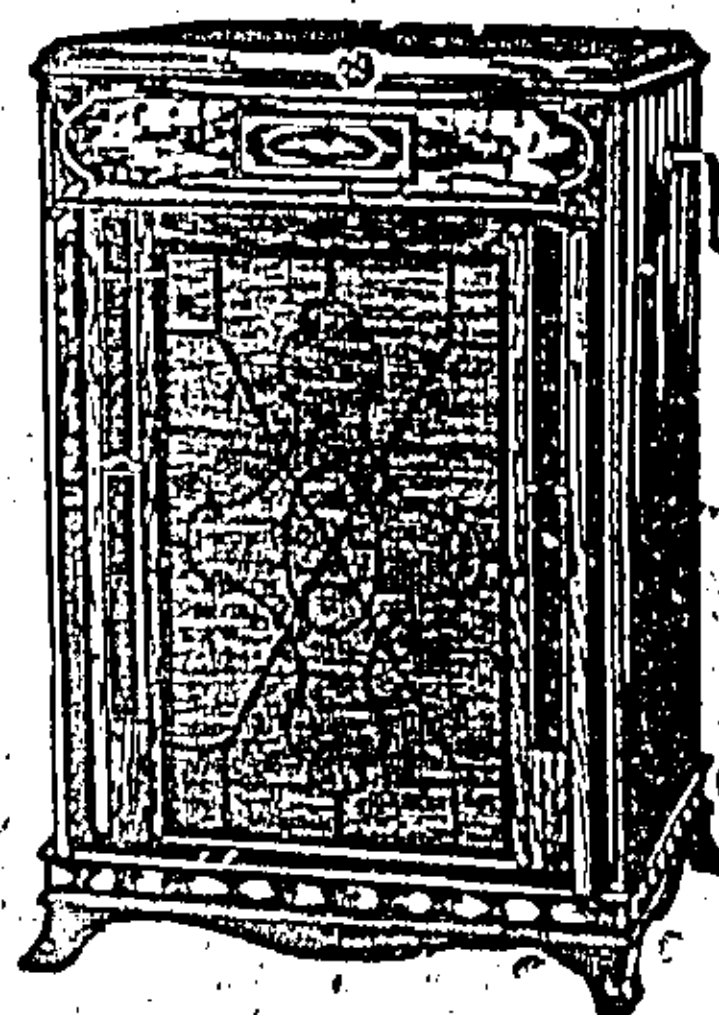
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THE INTERPORT ELEVEN.

[To the Editor, Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir.—The brilliant display given by E. C. Fincher when he carried his bat through the innings for a score of 74 runs in the cricket match, Interporters versus The Rest, was the outstanding feature of Saturday's play. Not only on the strength of that performance, but in view of his excellent record in local cricket, I am strongly of opinion—an opinion which is, I am sure, shared by a large number of followers of the great summer game—that Fincher should have been selected to represent Hongkong in the forthcoming triangular Interport games.

If I remember aright, Fincher's name appeared around the top of the list of batting averages at the close of the last season. I have followed this young cricketer's progress with a great deal of interest and am convinced that he is one of Hongkong's outstanding players, a very sound batsman and a good fielder.

Fincher was unlucky to have been dismissed for a "duck" at the first Interport Trial match, but on Saturday he more than made up for that earlier reverse; with the exception of that difficult chance early in the game Fincher treated the spectators to a sterling exhibition, giving a fine all-round display of clever hitting against the pick of Hongkong's bowlers and remaining undefeated when the innings was declared closed.

I am not personally acquainted with Mr. Fincher, but, in fairness to him and in recognition of his ability at the game, I would urge that he might be given the opportunity to play for Hongkong in the Interport Series. He will be strongly supported by a whole host of Hongkong boys and I feel certain that he will not disappoint us.—Yours, etc.,
Carric.

LOCAL RACING.

Sir.—Regarding the Race Meeting on Saturday last there are two points on which I wish to say a few words, and trust that you will allow me the liberty of using your columns.

1. In the first race, doubt exists as to whether the accepted start is in accordance with the rules of racing.

It appears that one pony was six lengths away before the starter flagged, and, owing to the importance of this race, much clarity of opinion is being evoked.

Could light be thrown on this 'starting' point, please, by your followers of the turf? I may add that I am not particular as to which pony has won the race.

2. In the sixth race, at the bend of the last quarter it looks as though a grey pony was boring away from the rails impeding the track of another grey pony.

Will your readers oblige by saying if this was the case to clear a difference that exists in the mind of a certain party?—Yours, etc.,
FAIR BACKER.



LOCAL SOCCER.

CHINESE ATH. WIN SIXTH MATCH.

QUEEN'S SCORE TEN.

[By "Wanderer".]

Capital midfield play during one of the fastest games seen locally for some time served the K.O.S.B. little against Chinese Athletic, who won their sixth successive match on Saturday by two clear goals. It was the K.O.S.B.'s first defeat, the Recreo and Chinese Athletic being the only remaining sides with a clean sheet.

The most remarkable match was that between the Queen's Royal Regiment and South China. The former team scored ten goals without reply.

It is with much regret that followers of football in Hongkong will learn of the death of Mr. A. Fuertes, of the Club de Recreo. Fuertes was one of the most enthusiastic players in the Portuguese side, and his death at the early age of 22, is a severe loss both to his club and the Colony. Much sympathy is felt with his relatives.

Saturday's Results.

The full results on Saturday were:

Senior Division.		
South China	0 Queen's Regt.	10
H.K.F.C.	1 Scots Guards	1
Police	0 R. A. F.	1
K.O.S.B.	0 Chinese Ath.	2

Junior Division "A".

S. China "B"	2 S. China "A"	0
St. Joseph's	2 University	0

Junior Division "B".

S. China "B"	0 Boy Scouts	1
S. China "A"	0 Chinese Ath.	1

Queen's Run Riot.

It needed a long stretch of imagination to associate the South China team which failed so utterly against the Queen's Regiment on Saturday, with drawn games against the Club de Recreo and K.O.S.B. The side gave a totally inept display, never getting together at any time, kicking wildly, tackling haphazardly. In short, the game was wearying to witness.

Barclay, the Queen's inside-left netted five times, twice in the first half and three times in the second, while further goals were put on by Richardson (2), Bunn, Morris and Larking.

The Queen's were so overwhelmingly superior, as their ten goals would indicate, that further comment is unnecessary.

Club Force a Draw.

A snap goal by Taylor before the game was five minutes old, gained the Club a valuable point against the Scots Guards. There was always a little additional life in the Guards, but the Club defenders, particularly Wallington, Bishop and Rodger, were in great form, and not until the second half was well under way did the equaliser accrue through Hunter.

It could not be said that the Guards showed marked superiority over the Club at any stage of the game, but their attack showed more method, and as a side they were much better together. Rodger had by no means a comfortable afternoon, but he got through with credit.

Occasionally the Club played quite attractively a noticeable improvement on the right wing giving stimulus. Johnston was responsible for many well-intentioned movements. Pile was in good form and like Scott was always worrying the opposition.

On the whole the football was not of a high standard, and a draw was more or less a true reflex.

Success at Last.

Against the Police, in their eighth match, the R.A.F. gained full points for the first time this season, though the vital single goal was left till late in the game, and followed the missing of a penalty kick by Vernon.

In an interesting first half, the R.A.F. did everything but score, Clarke giving a fine display in the Police goal, while Wynne and Sherry covered him well. The Police forwards, in spite of capital work by Howarth, rarely got going except in spasmodic bursts, and Avery was not seriously troubled.

CRICKET.

The following will represent the Indian Recreation Club "A" Team in their friendly match against the Royal Air Force on Saturday November 12 on the I.R.C. Ground.

J. S. Ackber, F. M. el Arculli, J. S. A. Curram, T. Hamet, S. A. R. Ismail, S. H. Ismail (Captain), A. H. Madar, A. K. Minu, A. R. Minu, A. H. Rumjahn, A. S. Suffiad, A. M. Rumjahn (Reserve).

HOME TURF SEASON.

THE LEADING JOCKEY.

London, Oct. 29.
Gordon Richards, who rides for Hogg's and M. Hartigan's stables, heads the list of winning jockeys for the 1927 flat season with 146 winning mounts up to the present. This is a post-war record, beating Donoghue's 143 in 1920. Last year T. Weston topped the list with 95.

The Police improved after the interval, but met with no success. Bennion netted for the R.A.F. after many much easier opportunities had been allowed to go begging.

Defences prevailed over the forwards practically throughout, the R.A.F. were better served in the forward line. Play was very scrappy on the whole, kick and rush tactics being generally adopted.

The K.O.S.B. Fail.

It was not difficult on Saturday to see what is wrong with the K.O.S.B. this season. In almost every department of the game except the most important one of the shooting of goals, they were quite the equal of the Chinese Athletic, to whom they lost by two clear goals, and yet for all their excellent work in midfield, at no time appeared likely to disturb the Athletic's unbeaten record.

The forwards showed no aptitude anywhere in the region of goal, the attack was lifeless, passes went hopelessly astray and though the Chinese backs must be complimented on excellent anticipation, their work was made easy by the K.O.S.B. inaccuracies.

Towards the end the Borderers were trying to reduce deficit by shooting from thirty and forty yards' range, this being sufficient commentary on their inability to outwit the opposition.

The Chinese Athletic thoroughly deserved their success. The keen tackling of the K.O.S.B. half-backs gave them little opportunity of settling down to methodical football, but they quickly adapted themselves to the circumstances, and by quick passes, quick returns and constant pressure on the backs, who seldom got the ball away safely when in difficulties, made opportunities of which they took full avail.

The first goal was largely the fault of Gardner who stood appealing instead of playing to the whistle, while Lee Wai-keen, running in from an apparently offside position, calmly placed the ball out of Anderson's reach.

The second was scored by the same player after the interval, a nice header, from Chan Kwong-ut's centre swerving well out of Anderson's reach. Anderson played a capital game and saved many dangerous shots.

The Athletic must be accounted the cleverer team, but individually the outstanding player was Davey, the K.O.S.B. centre-half, who gave a sterling exhibition in defence, and worked hard to get the forwards on the move. On either side of him, Skiggs and Everest rendered excellent support, and if the remainder of the side had put as much sparkle and enthusiasm into the game, the loss of an unbeaten certificate might have fallen on other shoulders.

There was no weak spot in the Chinese Athletic eleven, though there were several instances of good opportunities lost through gallery play. Ng Kam-chuen and Lai Yuk-tat rarely placed a foot wrong in the rear division, Wong Shui-wa was the outstanding half-back while Chan Kwong-ut gave one of his best displays and was easily the most conspicuous forward. Chan has got corner-kicking down to a very fine art, and the K.O.S.B. defence was never much troubled as when he placed in from the flag.

HOME RUGBY RESULTS.

WARATAHS WIN AT
LEICESTER.

London, Oct. 29.
The weather this afternoon proved fine and there was some very interesting play at the chief rugby matches the principle results being as follows:
Richmond 32 Oxford University 3.
London Scottish 18 Cambridge University 29.
Liverpool 8 Manchester 26.
Devonport Services 0 Old Merchant Taylors 13.
Leicester 8 New South Wales 20.
Northampton 5 Bedford 6.
Gloucester 3 Harlequins 11.
Cardiff 3 Swansea 5.
Cheshire 3 Northumberland 0.
Lancashire 35 Yorkshire 19.
Cumberland 9 Durham 3.

BOXING.

FILIPINO BEATS
AUSTRALIAN.

San Francisco, Nov. 2.
Speedy Dado, of Manila, stopped "Snowy" Johnson of Australia in the third round of a scheduled 10-round bout here to-night.
Dado was too fast and outclassed his opponent all of the way. Johnson took a severe beating in every round and was knocked down three times in the third frame. He was on the verge of being knocked out when the referee stopped the fight.
So far as size is concerned the battlers were evenly matched. Each tipped the scales at 110 just before entering the ring.

OUR FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

PRIZE OF \$50 WEEKLY.

The "Hongkong Telegraph" offers a prize of \$50 to the readers who send in twelve correct forecasts of the results of the English and Scottish Football League matches (to be played on Saturday, next, November 12th) set out in the Coupon below. No goals/scores are required; only forecasts showing wins or draws.

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Matches to be played on November 12th:—

DIVISION I.

Burnley	v	Birmingham
Sheffield U.	v	Huddersfield
Dorby	v	Everton

DIVISION II.

Port Vale	v	Oldham
S. Shields	v	Grimsby

DIVISION III. (SOUTH).

Merthyr	v	Brighton
Charlton	v	Norwich

DIVISION III. (NORTH).

Crewe A.	v	Stockport
Hartlepool.	v	Southport

SCOTTISH DIVISION.

Aberdeen	v	Bo'ness
Dundee	v	Kilmarnock
Raith R.	v	Falkirk

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Mark your envelopes "Football" on the front and write your name (without address) on the back of the envelope.

HOME GOLF.

WORPLESDON MIXED
FOURSUME.

London, Oct. 19.
Worplesdon.—In the semi-finals of the Mixed Foursomes Tournament, Miss Joyce Wethered (Worplesdon) and Tolley (Royal and Ancient) beat Mrs. Guedalla (Addington) and W. L. Hope (St. George's Hill), one up.
Mlle. de la Chaume (St. Cloud) and Roger Wethered (Worplesdon), holders, beat Mrs. Cautley (Thanet) and Douglas Grant (St. Georges), 2 and 1.

Miss Wethered The Best.

Worplesdon.—In the final of the Mixed Foursomes Tournament, over 36 holes, Tolley and Miss Joyce Wethered beat Roger Wethered and Mlle. de la Chaume, the holders, 3 and 2.

The weather was fine and there was a gallery of spectators. For the first time the Wethereds opposed each other in an open competition.

All four are winners of a British open championship, but only Joyce Wethered lived up to her reputation. She was undeterred by the reckless hitting of her partner. She played throughout superbly.

Roger Wethered and Tolley played several erratic shots, so the girls had to explore thick undergrowth in the rough or play from bunkers which trapped their partners' shots. Mlle. de la Chaume made many brilliant recoveries, but apart from that could not contribute much. Joyce Wethered outdrove and outplayed her.

Tolley and Joyce Wethered won the first two holes and led throughout. There were times when a recovery by their opponents appeared likely, but they always failed to bring it to maturity.

Tour in South Africa.

Messrs. R. H. de Montmorency, C. J. Tolley, C. O. Hezlet and R. Pearson have left England on a golfing tour through South Africa. They expect to be away for at least three months.

YACHTING.

CHAMPIONSHIP RACES
ON SATURDAY.

The first race for racing yachts in the annual championship races was decided on Saturday. There was a good turn-out of local yachtsmen and a very enjoyable afternoon's sport was indulged in.

The course was—1, Lyemun Beacon (P.); 2, Cust Rock Buoy (S.); 3, Mark on Club line (P.); 4, Channel Rocks (S.). Distance, 8.08 miles. The results were:

"H." Class.

Finishing.	Corrected Time	Time
Diana H1	4:25.31	4:24.03
Colleen H2	4:26.51	4:19.39
Rolla H3	4:18.49	4:18.49
La Linda H5	4:42.04	4:36.28
Argulla H7	4:28.39	4:18.23
Dorothea H9	4:29.49	4:21.01

"I" and "G" Classes.

Finishing.	Corrected Time	Time
Daphne I1	4:49.55	4:40.55
Ailsa I3	4:55.12	4:55.12
Haleyon I4	4:50.01	4:50.01
Gael G1	5:04.26	4:57.50
Pierrette G2	4:49.54	4:44.02
Thecla G3	5:03.24	4:57.24
Viking G4	5:09.33	4:58.33
Joan G6	5:05.27	4:58.51

"Y." Class.

Finishing.	Corrected Time	Time
Why Wander Y1	4:57.48	4:57.48
Senlark Y2	5:04.04	5:04.04
Bluenose Y3	4:51.46	4:51.46
Boojum Y4	4:58.43	4:58.43
Adele Y5	5:01.29	5:01.29
Adanac Y6	5:00.38	5:00.38
Zephyr Y8	5:38.22	5:38.10
Lola Y9	5:09.05	5:09.13
Owl Y11		D. N. S.

Service Sailing Race.

A Service sailing race was also decided. Course: start West to East; 1, Channel Rocks (S.); 2, Lyemun Beacon (S.); Finish East to West. Distance: 5.11 miles.

Result (three starters):
Finishing Corrected Time
Ambrose, P. O. 5:03.50 5:08.50—1
Brace, Lt. Bell 5:08.54 5:08.54—2
Stormcloud—did not finish.
All boats were whalers.

WOLFHOUND RACING TRIALS.

BORZOIS REFUSE TO START.

London, Oct. 19.
Twenty Borzois (Russian wolfhounds) participated in a test at the Greyhound Racing Track at Blackpool.

Only three completed the course. Most ignored the electric hare and remained at the starting post. Some went halfway round, but after the hare had rounded the bend they cantered back to the starting post.

Nevertheless, the President of the Borzoi Club is satisfied with the test. He said a Borzoi training centre will be established. He is confident that with training the Borzois will race successfully.

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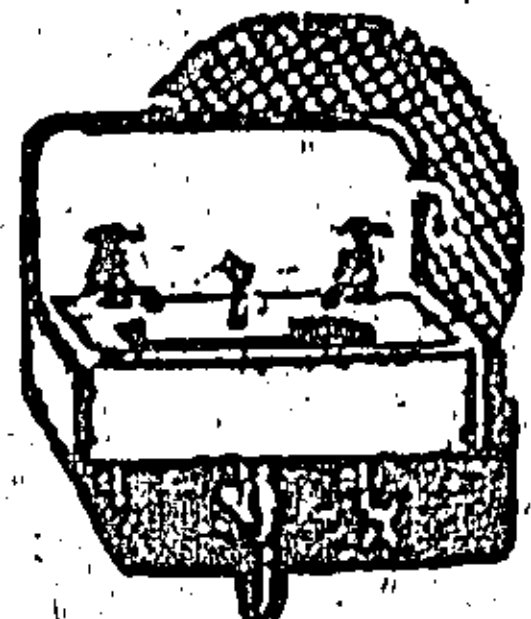
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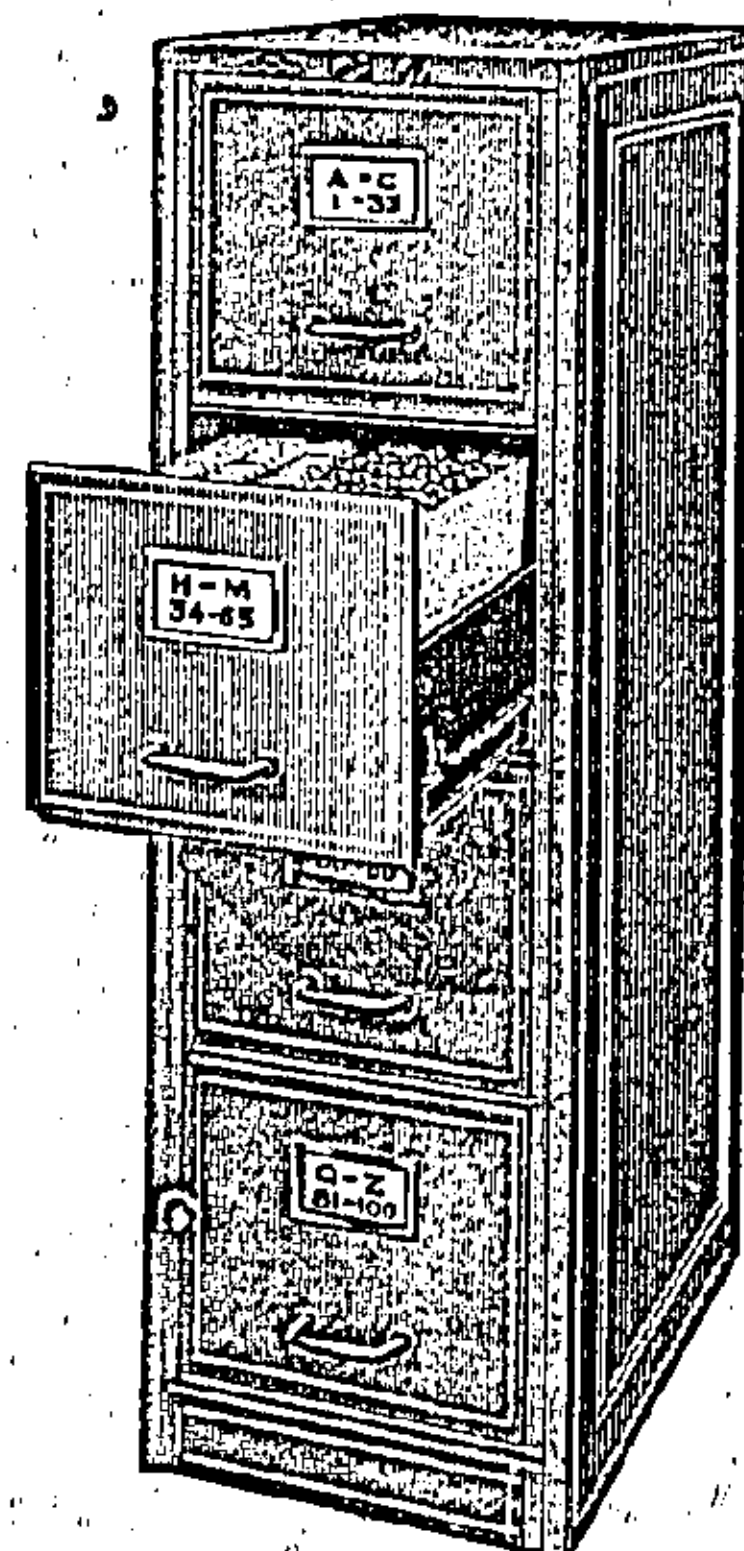


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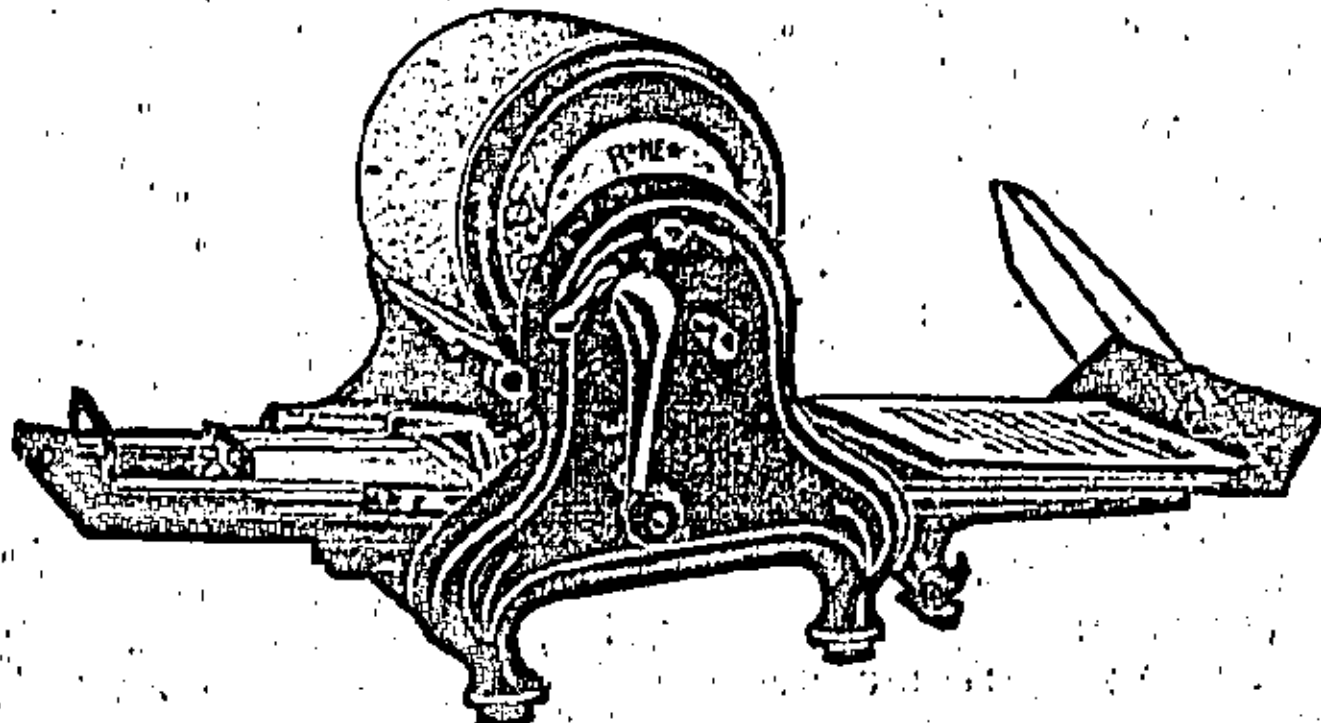


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JUNK PIRACY.

FISHING BOAT ROBBED BY FIFTEEN MEN.

A cargo of salt fish was stolen by a gang of fifteen pirates who waylaid a fishing junk at Tau Tau on Saturday last when the boat was on its way from Wu Ling to Hongkong. Shots were exchanged between the pirates and the crew of the victimised junk, but the resistance was insufficient to prevent the pirates from carrying out their intentions.

The master of the fishing boat, a craft of 800 piculs capacity, reported to the Police on his arrival in port yesterday that his boat left Wu Ling near San Mei at 6 a.m. on Friday for Hongkong, with a cargo of salt

fish on board. The crew included 14 males, six females and 10 children with an armament of four gungles, two rifles and about ten pounds of gunpowder.

At about 4 o'clock that same afternoon, while sailing from East to West off Tau Tau another junk was seen approaching from the open sea. After coming within about 500 yards of the Hongkong junk, the men on board opened fire at their prey. The master of the local boat gave the order to return the fire and altogether 80 rifle shots and one shot from a gingle were discharged.

This, however, was not enough to prevent the pirates from boarding and about fifteen men took charge of the fishing boat. They were armed with rifles and revolvers. As soon as they boarded the two members of the crew of the victimised craft jumped overboard

and were not seen by the master again.

The entire crew was then driven into the hold and confined. The strangers remained on board until 6 o'clock the following morning when they left taking with them besides the cargo of salt fish, valued at \$700, the junk's armament and other belongings to the total value of \$970.

The junk was later brought back to Hongkong arriving at Shaui-wan early yesterday morning. A subsequent report was made to the Police stating that the two men who jumped overboard were later rescued by a Hoklo fishing boat and brought back to Hongkong.

A homing pigeon, winner of the Saxon-Swinton race in 1924, and missed in the Jersey race later in that year, has turned up at the loft of its owner, at Worthington.

HOME FOOTBALL.

REMARKABLY HEAVY SCORING.

Having avoided defeat for eleven weeks, the only team in the five leagues to do so, Charlton Athletic met their Waterloo on Saturday, Crystal Palace piling up five goals without reply. Simultaneously, Reading, in the Second Division, gained both points for the first time this season, conquering Hull City by three clear goals.

A bigger feature of Saturday's home football, however, was the remarkably high scoring, and the success of sixteen home teams in the First and Second Divisions.

Northampton were top scorers with the remarkable total of ten against Walsall, but both Everton and Bolton riddled the opposition defence to the extent of seven goals. Partick Thistle netted seven times of seven goals, against Aberdeen in spite of its reputation for giving nothing away.

Little change had taken place in the league positions. Everton and Newcastle are firmly ensconced at the head of Division I, Chelsea, partly by reason of Manchester City's lapse, hold a second lead in the Second Division, while Northampton has improved its hold in the Southern Section.

A rise in Doncaster fortunes has placed them in a fighting position with Bradford, who at present lead in the Northern Section of the Third Division, in which Ashington still lies at the foot without a victory to their credit.

The Scottish results panned out very much in accord with expectations, though Motherwell had, apparently, to go all out against Cowdenbeath.

In the four division of the English League no fewer than 187 goals were scored, an average of 4.35 goals per match. In the Scottish league ten matches produced 45 goals.

The complete results as cabled by Reuter are appended:

Division I.	
Birmingham	1 Aston Villa 1
Blackburn R.	4 Arsenal 1
Bolton	1 Burnley 1
Cardiff	1 Liverpool 1
Everton	7 Leicester 1
Huddersfield	2 Derby 1
Manchester U.	2 Portsmouth 0
Middlesbrough	3 Sheffield U. 0
Newcastle	3 Sunderland 1
Wendnesday	4 Bury 0
Tottenham	5 West Ham 3

Division II.	
Blackpool	4 Preston N. E. 1
Bristol C.	4 Wolves 1
Chelsea	4 Swansea 0
Clapton	3 Fulham 2
Grimsby	4 Manchester C. 1
Notts County	2 Leeds 2
Oldham	4 Notts Forest 0
Reading	3 Hull 0
Southampton	3 St. Shields 5
Stoke	0 Port Vale 2
West Brom.	1 Barnsley 1

Division III (South).	
Brentford	1 Swindon 4
Bournemouth	0 Newport 0
Brighton	3 Coventry 0
Crystal Pal.	5 Charlton 0
Exeter	4 Bristol R. 1
Luton	0 Queen's Park 1
Millwall	4 Watford 1
Northampton	10 Walsall 0
Norwich	4 Merthyr 0
Southend	1 Gillingham 2
Torquay	1 Plymouth 2

Division III (North).	
Barrow	3 Lincoln 3
Bradford	3 Halifax 2
Chorlton	3 Crewe 2
Durham	3 Darlington 3
Nelson	4 Hartlepool 2
Rochdale	0 Accrington 0
Rotherham	6 Wigan 0
Southport	1 Doncaster 2
Stockport	0 New Brighton 0
Tranmere	2 Bradford C. 1
Wrexham	5 Ashington 1

*The Rochdale-Accrington match was abandoned in the second half owing to bad weather. The score was then 1-1.

Scottish League.	
Celtic	3 Airdrieonians 2
Bo'ness	1 St. Johnstone 2
Dunfermline	0 Rangers 5
Falkirk	6 Kilmarnock 0
Hibernians	4 Dundee 0
Partick Thistle	7 Cowdenbeath 0
Queen's Park	2 Clyde 2
Raith R.	3 Hamilton 3
St. Mirren	2 Hearts 0

LEAGUE TABLES.

The league tables to date are as follows:

Division I.	
Everton	13 7 5 1 44 19 19
Newcastle	13 8 2 3 32 21 18
Aston Villa	13 6 4 3 30 10 16
Blackburn	14 5 6 3 23 19 16
Cardiff	13 5 6 2 24 25 16
Manchester U.	14 6 3 5 25 24 15
Bury	13 7 1 5 29 30 15
Arsenal	13 5 4 4 27 28 14
Liverpool	13 4 5 4 31 23 13
Middlesbrough	13 5 3 5 27 23 13
Leicester	14 4 5 5 22 25 13
Tottenham	14 5 3 6 23 23 13
West Ham	12 6 1 5 28 32 13
Bolton	13 4 4 5 20 17 12
Huddersfield	12 4 4 4 25 24 12
Burnley	13 6 0 7 27 34 12
Birmingham	13 3 5 5 23 29 11
Sheffield U.	13 4 3 6 15 23 11
Sunderland	13 4 2 7 23 32 10
Wednesday	13 2 5 6 23 23 9
Derby	13 3 3 7 25 31 9
Portsmouth	13 3 2 8 23 38 8

Division II.	
Chelsea	13 8 3 1 29 8 21
Manchester City	13 8 2 3 33 28 18
Bristol City	13 8 1 4 32 24 17
Oldham	13 7 2 4 28 10 16
Stoke	13 6 4 3 22 14 16
Clapton	13 7 2 4 24 24 16

RIFLE SHOOTING.

A FRIENDLY MATCH AT STONECUTTERS.

A friendly match between teams representing H.M.S. Durban and the Dockyard Recreation Club was fired off on the Stonecutters Range on Saturday, the sailors winning by 683 to 553 points.

The team were 10 men aside with the best eight scores to count. Six per cent deduction was made for aperture sights.

The full scores were:

H.M.S. Durban.	
	200 500 600
Yds. Yds. Yds. T'tal.	
Marine Price	20 28 29 83
Capt. Clayton, R.M.	20 28 24 81
Cpl. Long	25 28 26 79
Marine Jay	24 27 27 78
A. B. Fogarty	23 27 27 77
P. O. Robertson	23 27 27 77
C. W. Squires	20 26 10 62
A. B. Fenn	20 18 21 59
*Marine Tutton	22 21 15 58
*L. S. Wyman	6 19 21 46

*Counted out 687
Total 104

Dockyard R. C.

A. Cook	29 32 29 90
F. Young	29 27 30 86
W. Garrett	25 27 28 80
J. Littleton	27 25 25 77
W. R. Latham	21 28 24 73
Gossett	22 21 24 67
C. H. Mitchell	20 20 18 58
J. B. Ursell	19 21 18 58
*Dawson	21 21 15 57
*E. H. Harvey	20 12 14 46

*Counted out 103
Less 10 per cent for aperture sights 31
Total 553

PROFESSIONAL GOLF.

SEMI-FINALS OF THE AMERICAN TOURNAMENT.

Later.

Walter Hagen has retained the American professional golf championship title by defeating Joe Turnesa. The latter was two up at the halfway mark but Hagen became one up at the thirty-first and the five remaining holes were halved—Reuter's American Service.

Division I (South).	
Leeds	13 6 3 4 29 18 15
Preston	13 6 3 4 28 22 15
West Brom.	13 6 3 4 31 25 15
Swansea	13 6 2 5 37 35 14
Notts Forest	13 6 1 6 33 27 13
Port Vale	13 6 1 6 23 23 13
Barnsley	13 6 1 6 23 23 13
Grimsby	13 6 1 6 24 24 13
Fulham	13 6 1 6 21 26 11
Hull City	13 6 1 6 18 18 11
Wolves	13 6 1 6 21 30 11
Notts County	13 6 1 6 17 27 10
Blackpool	13 6 1 6 22 32 9
Southampton	13 6 1 6 20 32 7
Reading	13 6 1 6 17 30 7
South Shields	13 6 1 6 21 36 7

Division II (South).	
Northants	13 10 3 4 30 16 20
Millwall	13 8 3 3 37 24 19
Charlton	13 8 3 1 17 16 18
Plymouth	13 8 3 3 30 17 17
Norwich	13 8 3 3 34 20 17
Queen's P. R.	13 8 3 3 23 19 17
Newport	13 8 3 3 29 17 16
Exeter	13 8 3 3 25 22 16
Southend	13 8 3 3 24 22 16
Brighton	13 8 3 3 22 16 15
Brentford	13 8 3 3 29 15 13
Swindon	13 8 3 3 23 13 13
Merthyr	13 8 3 3 19 25 12
Coventry	13 8 3 3 24 29 11
Crystal Pal.	13 8 3 3 18 30 10
Walsall	13 8 3 3 17 37 9
Bristol Rovers	13 8 3 3 27 33 9
Watford	13 8 3 3 23 28 9
Bournemouth	13 8 3 3 20 27 9
Gillingham	13 8 3 3 19 28 8
Torquay	13 8 3 3 13 34 7
Luton	13 8 3 3 23 30 6

Division III (North).	
Bradford	13 9 3 1 33 15 21
Doncaster	13 9 2 2 31 20 20
Wrexham	13 9 3 2 29 19 19
Lincoln	13 8 3 2 32 21 19
Halifax	13 8 3 3 25 25 19
Rochdale	13 8 3 3 24 14 16
Tranmere	13 8 3 3 24 16 16
Darlington	13 8 3 3 28 17 16
Rotherham	13 8 3 3 25 20 12
Stockport	13 8 3 3 14 14 12
Nelson	13 8 3 3 27 27 12
Bradford C.	13 8 3 3 20 18 11
Accrington	13 8 3 3 19 18 11
New Brighton	13 8 3 3 22 22 11
Chesterfield	13 8 3 3 22 23 11
Durham	13 8 3 3 21 28 11
Southport	13 8 3 3 23 24 10
Hartlepool	13 8 3 3 17 32 8
Barrow	13 8 3 3 16 37 8
Ashington	13 8 3 3 12 31 6

Scottish League.	
Rangers	12 10 1 1 43 12 21
Motherwell	13 9 3 1 31 14 21
Celtic	12 8 2 2 30 8 18
Hearts	13 8 1 4 30 12 17
St. Mirren	13 8 1 4 26 31 17
St. Johnstone	13 7 1 5 22 25 15
Cowdenbeath	13 7 1 5 22 23 15
Hibernians	13 7 0 6 20 24 14
Kilmarnock	13 7 0 6 24 24 14
Aberdeen	13 7 0 6 23 24 14
Falkirk	13 6 1 6 20 29 13
Partick	13 6 1 6 20 29 13
Airdrie	13 4 4 5 24 23 12
Queen's Park	13 4 4 5 16 24 10
Bo'ness	13 4 1 8 18 28 9
Clyde	13 3 8 16 29 8
Dundee	13 3 8 12 25 8
Hamilton	13 3 1 9 24 30 7
Raith Rovers	13 3 1 9 24 40 6
Dunfermline	13 2 1 10 18 42 5

LOCAL ATHLETIC

GOOD TIMES AT VOLUNTEER SPORTS ON SATURDAY

There were some good times at the annual athletic meet of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, which was held on the Kowloon Club ground on Saturday afternoon under the patronage of the Hon. Mr. W. T. Orm, C.M.G., and H. E. the Officer Commanding the Force South China (Major-General Luard, D.S.O.).

The organisers were favoured with ideal conditions for racing and an excellent sport was witnessed throughout the afternoon. The band of the Queen's played selections during the noon and at the conclusion of the meeting the prizes were distributed by Mrs. Southern, who was panned by His Excellency the Administrator of the Government.

An interesting programme was arranged, comprising twelve events, including three open events which attracted very good entries from ships and the military units in the Colony.

G. P. Lammer, the Colony's top, carried off the prizes for the 100 yards race, while A. E. Carvalho, the most successful competitor, proved an exciting race and won by Pte. Tienan of the R.A.F. 4 mins. 54 1/5 seconds.

In the open tug-of-war, the team showed great sportsmanlike allowing the Royal Artillery to stifle a man who had fainted the struggle.

The Infantry Company themselves masters of the day, curing 18 points against 14 of the Scottish and Portuguese companies. The Engineer Company, the only other unit to score points, they obtaining three of the whole of the afternoon's sport. The full results were:

Results.
100 yards Race—1, G. P. L. (Infantry Co.)—Time: 10.1/2; 2, A. E. Carvalho (Portuguese Co.); 3, A. L. Eastman (Infantry Co.).
Putting the Shot—1, H. A. C. (Infantry Co.)—Distance: 10 ins.; 2, S. A. Gregory (Infantry Co.).

High Jump—1, C. F. R. (Portuguese Co.)—Height: 6 ft. 2, G. B. Hayes (Scottish Co.); 3, Summers (Scottish Co.).
Open Relay Race—1, K.O.S. Team (Time: 3 mins. 58.2/5); 2, K.O.S.B. "B" Team.

Half-Mile Race—1, A. E. C. (Portuguese Co.)—Time: 2.13.4/5 secs.; 2, R. B. Bell (Infantry Co.); 3, W. K. (Scottish Co.).
Open Tug-of-War (Catch W)—1, K.O.S.B.; 2, 20th Heavy I.R.A.

220 yards Race—1, G. P. L. (Infantry Co.)—Time: 23.2/5; 2, A. L. Eastman (Infantry Co.); 3, F. Remedios (Portuguese Co.).
Corps Inter-Unit Tug (Catch Weight)—1, Scottish Engineer Co.

Open Mile Race—1, Pte. T. R.A.M.C. Time: 17.1/2 mins.; 2, Pte. Cranston, K.O.S. Gdsm. Palmer, S.G.
440 yards Race—1, A. J. Valho (Portuguese Co.)—Time: 2.13.4/5 secs.; 2, R. B. Bell (Scottish Co.); 3, J. P. King (Engineer Co.).
Corps Inter-Unit Relay Race—1, Infantry Co. (G. P. Lammer, chard, T. J. Price and A. L. man)—Time: 2 mins. 8.3/5; 2, Scottish Co.; 3, Portuguese Co. (Obstacle Race)—N. B. (Portuguese Co.); 2, Seddon try Co.).

Officials.

The following were officials meet:
Umpires—Lt. Colonel L. G. D.S.O., Captain E. P. Minch V.D. and Mr. W. Logan.
Judges—Major R. Melville M.B.E., Captain Sir Eric Stuart, O.B.E., Captain H. B. L. L. and Captain W. Bracke M.C.

Starters—Captain K. S. M. 2/Lt. J. E. Hancock, 2/Lt. M. and 2/Lt. G. Duncan, M.B.E. Timekeepers—2/Lt. R. S. Mr. W. Logan, Pte. A. V. Barr, Pte. A. J. Ribeiro.
Clerks of the Course—Lieut. Moncrieff, Lieut. T. Addis, Lieut. J. Morris-Owen and W. H. Owen.

NEW SERIAL STORY

THE MERAFIELD MYSTERY.

By R. A. J. WALLING.
(Author of "The Third Degree," "Fatal
(Glove)," etc.)

CHAPTER XIX.

I could get nothing more out of Greene. His advice to drop the inquiry was all very well, but many points in it were so obscure that I could not make up my mind to give him an absolute promise.

Greene was chiefly concerned about the acceptance of his theory that the murder of Merafield had been, as he said, an execution, and about saving the executioner from discovery. He skirted very lightly over the things that really troubled me—the things that might happen to Lady Merafield, to Overbury, to Quance, and to Mrs. Briscoe.

"I shan't undertake to do nothing, Greene," said I, "if I find that innocent people are in danger. You may be perfectly right in de- ending the person who killed Merafield, though I think it's stretching the Unwritten Law pretty far. But I am more concerned about defending the people who didn't kill Merafield."

"Of course, I can't coerce you, my friend," said Greene. "But, I assure you, they are in no danger."

"I think if by any chance Overbury should be discovered they would be in supreme danger."

"And I think," said Greene, looking at me very straight, "they, or some of them, would not thank you at all for butting in. However, I've said my piece, Franks, and that's all there is to it."

When I left him both of us were unconvinced. The most startling thing I had learnt was that Sir Charles Merafield knew that his chauffeur was a masquerader. I could not divine the meaning of that. Was it that Merafield and Quance were fellow-conspirators in some business that would not bear the light? From what I had seen of the pseudo chauffeur, I thought it most unlikely. But at present the question was insoluble.

I called at the publisher's on my way back to my club, as he had suggested.

"Hi!" said he. "I'm glad you looked in. I thought you might like to know whether Scotland Yard had begun to get busy, and so I phoned over to Quance's friend Allison, who lives in the same house. Allison—Mr. Franks."

He introduced me to a young man who sat in the visitor's chair. "Allison has rooms over Quance's, in Gower Street," he said. "I suppose it wasn't an hour after Scotland Yard left us when they turned up there—but you tell the story, Allison."

"Nothing much," said the young man. "I got in at half-past twelve, and found men posted on the stairway, and two in Quance's sitting-room turning everything upside down. I think I said, 'What the blazes do you think you're doing?' or something of that sort, and was told to go and mind my own business. I don't know what they found or what they wanted, but they left at one o'clock. Even now I haven't the least idea what it's all about."

"There," Mr. Sargent remarked, "pointing at me, 'is the man who can tell you—' if he thinks proper." Mr. Allison looked at me inquiringly. Before speaking I did a little rapid thinking. If Scotland Yard had discovered the identity of Atkins (as they must have done), there was no point in keeping silence about what had occurred at Westport. On the other side, if this young man was an intimate friend and housemate of Quance, he might be able to tell me some things I wanted very much to know—particularly to fill in blanks in the picture that Greene had drawn.

"Well," I said, "I had hoped Scotland Yard would rest satisfied with Mr. Sargent's assurance and believe Mr. Quance in Germany. But they haven't. What they have discovered, Mr. Allison, is that for several weeks Mr. Quance has been masquerading as a chauffeur in the household of Sir Charles Merafield in Devonshire. As I understand you have seen in the papers, Sir Charles Merafield was murdered on the night of the 19th August, and now Atkins (that is, Quance) is under arrest for complicity in the crime."

Mr. Allison uttered a startled cry. "Good God!" he said. "Quance? It's impossible—absurd!"

"One would have said so; but it's a fact."

Mr. Allison was for rushing off to Devonshire by the next train to put all those idiotic yokels to rest about Quance, drag him right out of gaol, and confound their stupidity. But I succeeded in quieting him down and bringing

him round to the point I wanted to make.

"No doubt everything that can be done to defend Mr. Quance will be undertaken," I said. "But there are one or two things you might be able to tell me which would help."

And then I asked him if he would say what he knew about any passages in Quance's life that related to women.

"Women! Old Quance?" he exclaimed. "Good lord, there aren't any women in his life at all. Regular old anchorite. The only thing is that he was, and is still, gone on Miss Newland—the professor's daughter, you know."

"Mr. Sargent said something about that. But that's all off, isn't it?" I asked.

With a question here and there I got at the facts as Mr. Allison knew them. Quance had been assisting Professor Newland for several years—ever since the war. In fact, had been thrown much into the company of Mary Newland, had fallen desperately in love with her. She was the first girl he had ever thought anything about, and the only one. Mr. Allison called her a chit, a minx—he had no patience with these ultra-independent modern girls. They got such ideas of their own importance—that a fellow like Quance, absorbed in his work, stood no chance against any flashy boulevardier who came along with pots of money and motor-cars and baths of champagne and all that sort of thing. And that was what happened to Mary Newland. Some filthy outsider—Quance would never say who it was—got hold of her and fascinated her with his money and his meretricious glitter, and Quance's sober-sided old way of loving her and disapproving of her goings on brought about an eternal smash. She "chucked him over."

"I don't think any permanent harm was done with all the night clubs and the champagne and the Rolls-Royce, but that was only because Mary Newland had brains as well as willfulness. She pulled up just in time, and sent the boulevardier packing. But, of course, it left an awful sore. Quance suffered a lot."

"And you don't know," I inquired, "who the gay Lothario was?"

"No. Quance hated to talk of the rotten business."

"And you don't know whether he and Miss Newland came together afterwards?"

"No; but I don't think so. He never said anything about it, and he was going about with a fice like a funeral to the day when he left for Germany, or was supposed to be leaving for Germany."

When, over a solitary dinner at the club, I reflected upon this conversation, I could not get much satisfaction out of it. If it led anywhere, it led towards a very strong motive of anger and jealousy on the part of Quance.

For I could not doubt that the "boudoir" of Mr. Allison's story was Merafield himself. It fitted in with Professor Newland's marked dislike of him, with Green's observations of the afternoon, and with what I had heard from "Mrs. Briscoe" and "Atkins" when they met at Highcliff Farm. Quance might have found an adequate reason here for being the executioner of Merafield, as Greene put it. But so also might Overbury in the conduct of Merafield toward his wife.

So far as any available evidence went, the ingenious Rosseter was on two promising trails.

But the available evidence was thin and inconclusive. Some- where or other there was a great deal more of it which might give the story a very different appearance. I brooded over the episode of Merafield's association with Miss Newland. Why, if that was all over and done with, was Miss Quance at Merafield Tower in disguise? And, above all, what meant the connivance of Merafield in this pretence? There was the supreme puzzle.

As the result of these reflections, I resolved to drop the supreme puzzle for the time and devote myself to the secondary one. The next morning I telegraphed to my wife to expect me home in the evening, and took the early train from Paddington to Exeter. At Exeter I hired a car, and was driven to Chittlehamstead, alighting at the door of Dr. Sandys. Here I thought I might, with a little discreet employment of the imagination, obtain some light on one or two dark places. At any rate, neither the police

A ROULETTE PARTY.

BIG HAUL BY POLICE.

Two Chinese women and 83 men were taken into custody, following a police raid carried out under the direction of Detective Sub-Inspector Carey, at No. 256 Des Voeux Road Central yesterday afternoon. As the officers entered the second floor, they saw a large number of Chinese gathered around a table on which a roulette wheel was whirling. All the inmates were arrested, while some \$80 was seized from the table.

Of the thirty-five persons arrested, only eighteen appeared when the case was called before Major C. Willson this morning. The bail of the absent defendants, amounting to \$10 in every case, was exonerated, while the other defendants were remanded. Of these latter, four are charged with being the principals in the game, and in their case, bail was raised to \$250 each.

nor Scotland Yard had yet discovered Chittlehamstead and Dr. Sandys.

The proprietor of the nursing home greeted me with good humour when he recalled my features.

"Ah, yes, Mr. Franks, the solicitor," Mrs. Briscoe's solicitor said.

"Rather say Mr. Briscoe's solicitor," I corrected him.

"Ah, yes, of course. Is there any difference?"

"That, Dr. Sandys," said I, feeling for an opening, "is what I want to talk to you about. In the first place, I should like to know whether there is anything outstanding on Mr. Briscoe's account for the treatment of his wife?"

"Why, no, my dear sir, I think not. Mrs. Briscoe settled everything immediately before she left in such a hurry that day."

"As nothing seems to have been drawn on her account at the bank, I suppose she paid in notes?"

"Exactly, exactly," said Dr. Sandys, looking rather surprised. He pulled a book out of a pigeon hole and flicked back the leaves.

"M-m-yes, here we are. Three weeks' settlement, thirty guineas. In cash, yes. Rather unusual. But Mrs. Briscoe had always settled in cash. Here we are: forty-two guineas; June, forty-two guineas; May, forty-four guineas; April, twenty guineas; April, twenty guineas for April. Yes, she came in on the 15th."

He looked up at me as though to ask, "What the deuce are you driving at?"

"Thanks," said I. "I expect the stay did her a lot of good."

"I think so—I hope so. She is a cheery young woman, Mrs. Briscoe; but you know, Mr. Franks, after that terrible affair, she was really very a little afraid for her. Oh, for quite a month it was touch-and-go."

"Indeed!" said I. "I didn't gather from Mr. Briscoe that he knew it was very serious."

"Perhaps not. Very likely," said Dr. Sandys. "The truth is, Mr. Franks, that we were never able to communicate with him, because we neither knew his address nor anything about him. Tut, tut, my dear sir, if anything had happened to her, it would have been most awkward, devilish awkward. So far as we knew, also, Mrs. Briscoe never wrote to him. Of course, as you are the family lawyer, I'm not giving away my secrets."

"Certainly not," I assured him. "I had my opening now. And between lawyer and doctor, I think I can say this to you in confidence—that Mr. Briscoe never knew the reason why his wife came here, nor even that she was here. In fact, that is why I have come to see you to-day. Mr. Briscoe has been called away abroad, and is uncertain when he can return. You remember that I arrived just after Mrs. Briscoe's departure. Would you be surprised to know that she has now disappeared altogether, and that I am exceedingly anxious about her?"

I felt some qualms of compunction when I had planted this extemporized invention upon the good old doctor. His face was an almost comic study in horror and alarm.

"Good heavens!" he cried. "You astound me!"

But if I was to get what I wanted it was impossible to be merciful with him.

"Of course, Dr. Sandys," said I, "we do not attribute the slightest blame to you for this unfortunate affair—not the slightest. You could not be expected to know anything about it. But we should be very grateful if you could throw any light upon it."

"Yes, yes," said the doctor. "Naturally. What light do you want me to throw? You know the relations between a doctor and his patient—"

"Are confidential. But a husband, you know—well, don't you think he is entitled at least to be told what it was his wife suffered from that brought her into the nursing home?"

MR. T. V. SOONG.

RETURNING TO SHANGHAI.

A great deal of speculation was aroused last week by the unexpected return from the Yangtze area to Canton of Mr. T. V. Soong, who until recently was Minister of Finance in the Nationalist Government. Then it was assumed that, as in the case of Mr. Wang Ching-wei, leader of the Kuomintang, he would be staying in Canton for some time in connexion with the proposed reconstruction work of the party.

Now, however, information has been received that Mr. Soong is again leaving for Shanghai after a stay of but a few days in Canton.

Enquiries made by a Telegraph reporter this morning brought out the interesting information from a close friend of Mr. Soong that the erstwhile Nationalist Finance Minister was engaged on an important mission the nature of which was, however, not disclosed. Presumably, the mission which took Mr. Soong back to Canton has been completed, and Mr. Soong, according to advices, received at the time of writing, was coming down to Hongkong by the morning boat.

Friends of the ex-Minister had preceded Mr. Soong in arriving here last night. One of these was our informant, who states that Mr. Soong would be following on this morning's boat, the Fatshan, due to arrive here at 2 p.m.

NEW TO THESE WATERS.

THE S.S. BARON KELVIN.

A new arrival in local waters was recorded this morning in the S.S. Baron Kelvin of the Kelvin Shipping Co., for whom Messrs. Gibb Livingston are the local agents.

The Baron Kelvin was built to order of the Kelvin Shipping Company (Messrs. Hogarth and Co., Managers) in 1924, by Messrs. Connell and Company of Glasgow.

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Arriving from Calcutta, the vessel is commanded by Captain A. McKay, with a European crew.

MARINE COURT CASES.

HIGHER FINES FOR OBSTRUCTION.

At the Marine Court this morning, before Commr. G. F. Hole, the masters of two fishing-boats were charged with mooring their craft in the Southern Fairway on November 5, and pleading guilty, were severally fined \$10, with the alternative of 10 days' imprisonment with hard labour.

The masters of two cargo-boats were charged with mooring their craft inshore on November 7, and pleading guilty, were mulcted in a similar fine and alternative.

"No," said he, "I don't—unless she chose to tell him. But the question does not arise now, Mr. Franks, for as you have already suggested, Mrs. Briscoe was not suffering from anything when she came here. In fact, I have rarely seen a healthier young woman."

I felt like a man wading into deep water and expecting every moment to step over a ledge.

I could not think at first what I had said to suggest this remarkable fact. Then I remembered my remark that the supposititious Mrs. Briscoe was unaware of the reason why his wife came to Dr. Sandys.

"Quite so," I said, "and that only makes our present position more difficult." I had to say something.

"It was not until the tragic affair of Mrs. Radley had happened that Mrs. Briscoe became ill. It seemed to knock her right out. They must have been greatly attached. She had exhausted herself with anxiety, and then she collapsed utterly. I feared for her life, as I told you, Mr. Franks. But all's well that ends well; so far as I am concerned it ended on the day Mrs. Briscoe left."

He was getting a little restive, and I did not push him further.

"Well," said I, "many thanks, Dr. Sandys. I expect the affair of Mrs. Radley was very distressing. When did you say it happened?"

"Oh, that was at the beginning of July—at least, the second and final tragedy was. Now, Mr. Franks, I am afraid I have a round to make. If—"

"Clearly a dismissal. I took it. I left. My hired car waited outside. I returned to Exeter in the night. I resumed my journey by train, and was met at Rosebank before dinner-time."

(To be Continued.)

PAKHOI TERROR.

(Continued from Page 1.)

By nine, the whole city was as quiet as a tomb, everybody was inside with their doors shut and barred. On all the avenues of travel leading on to the plain outposts were established and one could hear, all night through, for few of us slept, the sharp business-like demand of these outposts of "Who goes there," and an immediate answer.

A Second Alarm.

No chances were taken. But with all our scare nothing happened and we were about to become ashamed of ourselves for becoming alarmed when the rumour ran through the town that the robbers were just above Kotak, a market town three miles north east of Pakhoi. We observed the soldiers getting into full pack and taking on additional fighting material. More men were being sent up to the front line which had been established about two miles out of the city to the East but still in sight from the roofs of the foreign houses on the ridge. After all it looked as if the robbers were coming, and indeed they were.

At 11.30 a.m. the writer went on to the roof to have a look about and observed some movements of troops to the East. Exactly at 11.45 the first shots were fired. The enemy had been encountered; and for exactly one and one half hours the fight kept up. At first the robbers seemed to get the best of the defenders and they fell back almost to the old Yamen just on the outskirts of the town. Then they were driven back on to the plain. From my roof I saw a further batch of Nationalist troops advance right up over the naked plain.

All the time the robbers were right out some quarter of a mile in front. With this help the defenders drove back the enemy but once more Lau's band swept forward and this time all seemed to be lost for shots were heard in the street on this side of the Yamen.

The Battle Described.

Presently the enemy was observed to be on the run toward Kotak and this time the Nationalists kept them going for a mile or so when owing to the smallness of their number they dare not advance further.

One would think that with an hour and a half of continuous firing, and with some hundred men on each side on the open level plain, a number would have been killed and wounded. But nothing of the kind happened; not one Nationalist soldier was killed; and only one other officer was killed and one wounded. Several of the robber band appear to have been killed and five were taken prisoners and shot on the spot. Less than ten wounded were brought back to the city after the fighting was over.

To-day's report has it that the band at Lim Chow has also been driven off and that the city gates are open again. We cannot, however, get confirmation of this. All day yesterday, the 28th, during and after the fighting, the city was as a tomb, and even though the robber band was driven off there still remained a good deal of apprehension. No business has been done since the 27th, the shops all being closed. Even to-day some merchants were seen moving their goods to junkies for shelter and safety. Looting is feared, both from the defenders, should they be defeated, and the robbers should they come in.

Conditions in Southern Kwangtung are unutterably bad and at no time during the reign of Wong Ming Tong, or that of Lam Chan Teng, and following him Tang Poon-yan, were they any worse than to-day. Outrages and murder is almost a daily occurrence either in the streets of Pakhoi or in the districts. It is a sad fact and one we hate to state, after expecting or rather hoping so much from the Nationalists but they have utterly failed to make good their promises to the people in these districts.

ANOTHER ACCOUNT.

Fate of Repulsed Bandits.

Another correspondent writes that after enjoying months of peace and security Lim Chow was suddenly overcome with panic on October 26. Late the previous evening news was received that Lau Chi-wa, the notorious brigand chief, was marching against the city with a thousand followers. The gates of the city were closed, business suspended, students from the Middle School and Hok Tong dispersed and the majority of residents from wealthy homes fled to relations and friends in other places.

As only a few hundred soldiers were stationed in and near Lim Chow, and as some of these were despatched to drive back one band of brigands on the Shek Hong road, all possible reinforcements from Pakhoi were sent to swell their number.

Meanwhile, the panic spread to Pakhoi, officials were sent on to On Po for additional troops and the motor service was suspended.

About this time a Chinese gunboat which was on its way to Pakhoi struck a sand bank and was disabled. Merchants began to pack up their goods and hide them and high prices were paid for places of refuge on board junks and sampans.



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Fighting Begins.

Fighting took place on the afternoon of the 28th, when a band of robbers were repulsed between Pakhoi and Lim Chow, some prisoners being taken.

The Japanese vessel arriving that morning from Hongkong was unable to discharge her cargo and she continued on to Haiphong, hoping for a more favourable opportunity when she returns.

A motor bus had to run the gauntlet on the following day when, on nearing Peng Tin on its way to Lim Chow, it was fired on by bandits who were surrounding the city. The bus returned to Pakhoi. All available motor cars were then sent to Naau Hong for troops who were

arriving at intervals until midnight. The panic subsided somewhat on the Sunday when a French gunboat arrived and also a Chinese one with about six hundred troops on board.

A sharp battle took place near Lim Chow on the following afternoon. The bandits were repulsed and about a hundred prisoners were captured. "Lau Chi-wa fled to Tung On and report says that he was followed and the village surrounded and burned to the ground. The fate of the bandit chief, however, is not known. As he is a master in war craft it is probable that he managed to escape and save his own life by some clever device. Many of his followers were killed or wounded, however."



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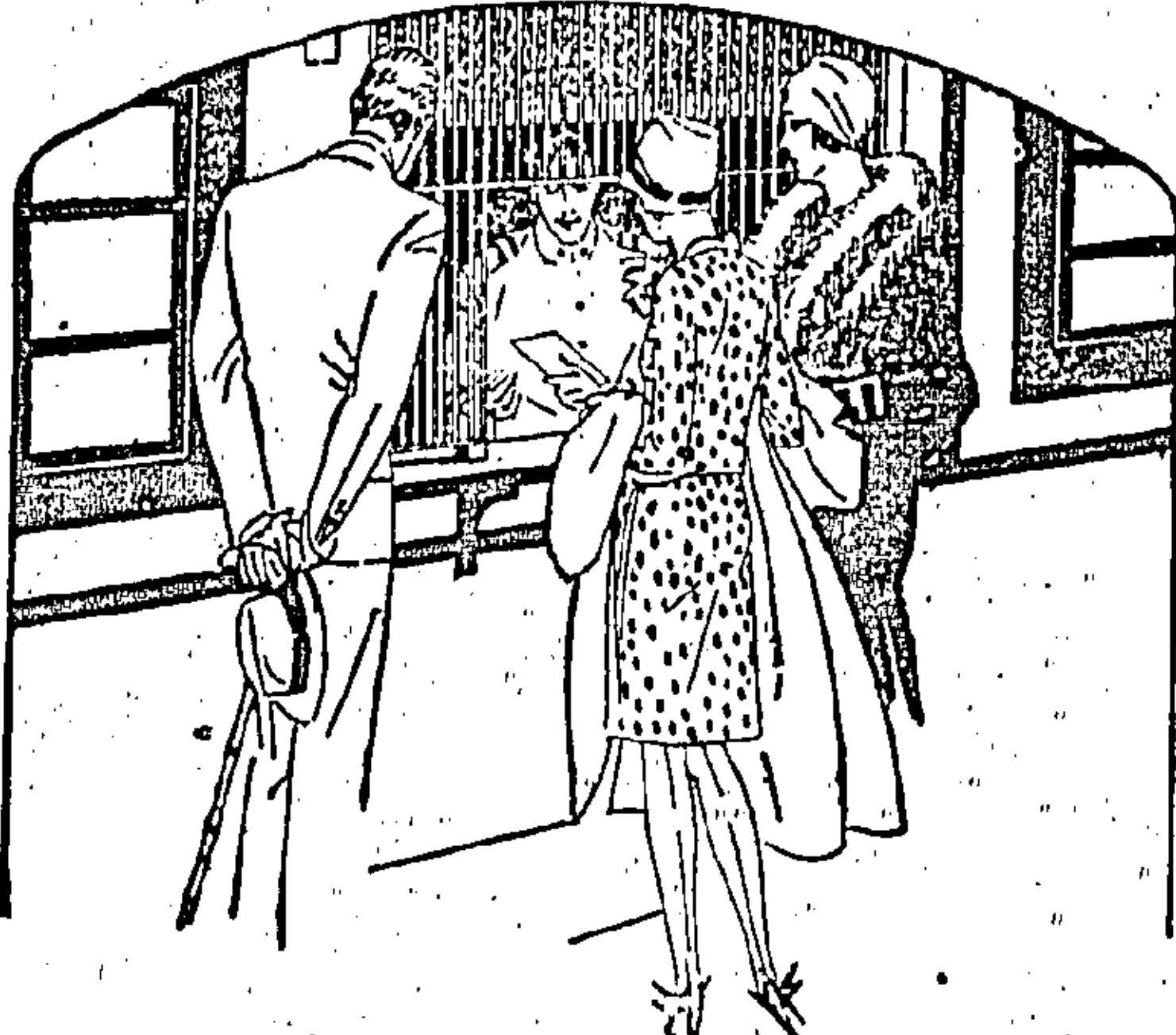
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COMMUNISM BITTERLY DENOUNCED.

WANG CHING-WEI EXPOSES SOVIET PLAN.

In an address at the Chung Shan University in Canton, Wang Ching-wei last Friday bitterly denounced communism and regaled his hearers with an account of his experiences in Hankow and of the secrets which were divulged to him, which caused him to change his mind entirely as to the alleged friendship of Soviet Russia toward the Chinese.

He also outlined the plan for the re-organization of the government and of co-operation between the government and the labourers and farmers.

"I am not a communist," "The Communist Party has tried to use the Kuomintang to further its own ends." "We must change our methods now, and in the future work entirely apart from the communists." "The workman and peasant are not to be encouraged to agitate as they have in the past." These are but a few of the startling and significant phrases employed by Wang Ching-wei in the course of a speech delivered on Friday afternoon at the Chung Shan University.

For two hours a large audience was held spell-bound by the revelations of Soviet methods designed to enthrall the people of China and make the country a vast Soviet colony; by the confession of disobedience to the behest of General Chiang Kai-shek, and the recital of the train of bitter experiences which followed and flowed from that disobedience; by the pledge of the foremost radical leader that he will hereafter pursue a different course of conduct; and by the exposition of what is to be the *modus operandi* of the Kuomintang Party and Government, a plan diametrically opposed to that under which it has thus far worked.

Warning Unheeded.

Wang Ching-wei told those who had assembled to bid him welcome to Canton that when he came back from France he was in conference with Chiang Kai-shek and the commander-in-chief entreated him not to go up to Hankow, for were he to go to the capital of the radicals he would be surrounded forthwith by guards; he would be a "prisoner at large," free to move about the city, but not at liberty to depart from Hankow. Every gesture would be watched, every word weighed, and the slightest slip might mean prison or even worse. Yet Mr. Wang went to Hankow, turning a deaf ear to good advice, throwing caution to the winds.

At the time of his arrival in Hankow, all power was concentrated in the hands of two Russians, Borodin, and an officer sent out by Moscow as its special representative. The latter took quite a liking to Mr. Wang who, while he had not become a C.P., was thought to be sympathetic with the ideals of the Soviet. He was for making a confidant of Wang Ching-wei, but this was quite against the wishes of

Michael Borodin, who contended that no Chinese should be allowed to know the contents of orders sent from the Russian capital. Despite this opposition, Wang Ching-wei was shown secret communications from Moscow, and the whole of the Bolshevik plan for the subordination of China was made clear to him. So dangerous did Borodin consider the divulging of these plans, that he had his colleague recalled shortly thereafter.

Soviet Plans.

Now was the time to strike, Moscow believed. A few Hankow officials it did not trust. By a bold move, they must be ousted, and every Government office must be occupied by one who would accept unquestioning the programme laid down by the Russians. To bring this about, 20,000 communists were to get together and, augmented by a force of 80,000 workmen and peasants, a peoples' army was to be formed, and it was to be depended upon to upset the Government at Hankow and to set up another which would be no half-way Government, but one completely communistic.

Mr. Wang insisted that he would have acted differently than he did, but there being no alternative, he was, figuratively speaking, bound hand and foot. To have raised his voice against the machinations of the Russian leaders would have meant death.

By way of demonstrating that even Sun Yat-sen more than once changed his way of working, though he never abandoned his real purpose, the speaker pointed out that at one time the doctor was allied with Chang Tao-lin. Later it was Tang Kei-sui who was the ally. Each of these in turn was dropped, and became an enemy rather than a friend. It was all a question of expediency. The aim in view was ever the same.

So it is now. The principles of the Three Peoples Doctrine are not to be cast aside, but the methods to be used in striving to attain these Kuomintang aspirations are to be new. For one thing, there will not be the co-operation with labourer and farmer which has been recognized as peculiar feature of the Kuomintang. Too many of the uneducated have had their minds filled with extreme and impracticable ideas by the Russians. The Party can get along better without a further stirring up of the uneducated masses.

In a short time, Mr. Wang promised, he will give out for publication the nefarious schemes of Borodin and his group. Then those who love Party and nation will see that the communists have not been actuated by love for either.

Following Wang Ching-wei came Mrs. Liao Chung-kai, who spoke along an entirely different line. The word communism was missing altogether from her speech. She too, however, claims to have opposed the break between Hankow and Nanking, but was prevented from setting forth her views by Chan Kei-wan, the former Provincial Treasurer of Kwangtung. Right along everything that she tried to do in the interest of Party unity was blocked by Mr. Chan and by his friend Sun Fo. Of

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Following on the bazaar at the Italian Convent, Mrs. Southern proceeded to the sale of work held by the pupils of St. Stephen's Girls' College and Fairlea School. In opening the bazaar, Mrs. Southern briefly addressed the gathering, expressing her pleasure at performing the function for the College which she recalled had always come to her assistance whenever it was called for. She noted the splendid help the pupils gave at the M.C.L. fete.

The Kwok Shu Lau Hall, where the sale of work was conducted, was laid out with what appeared to be a numberless variety of stalls. It was explained that each form of the school had its own stall, the effect of this being that each pupil had a direct interest in the sale, which was in aid of the Ministering Children's League. Of particular interest was the First Form stall, where were displayed many pretty and interesting things sent in by friends from the Philippines and Ceylon. The kindergarten did not have a stall, but they held a Lucky Dip, which was sufficient in itself to draw an extensive clientele.

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the two, she is most bitter against the former, whom she accuses of having had a part in the death of her husband. C. C. Wu too, she claims, was an accomplice in the plot which resulted in the assassination of Liao Chung-kai.



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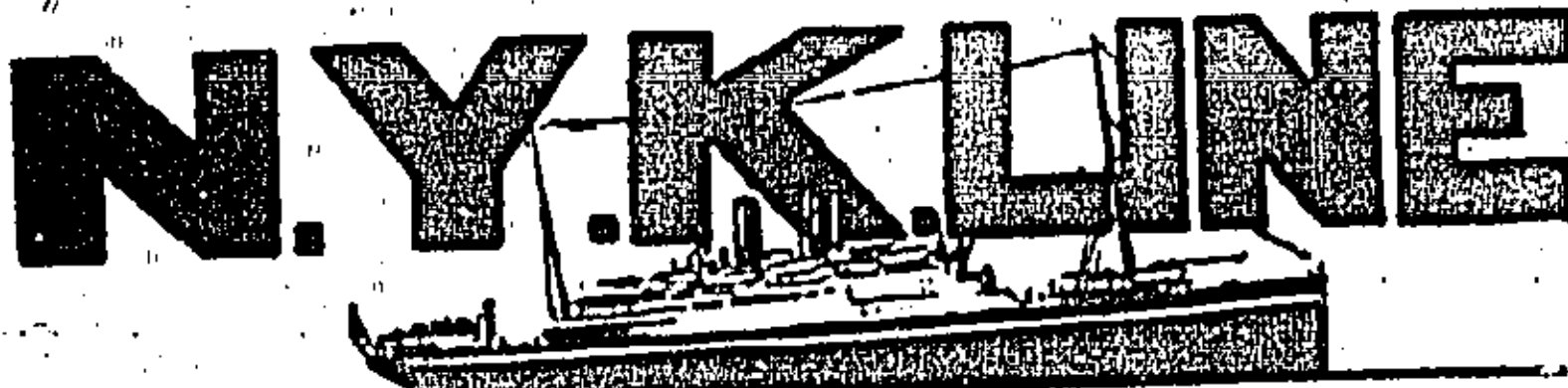
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Moscow, Nov. 5.

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S. AFRICAN POLITICS.

GOOD EFFECTS OF THE FLAG SETTLEMENT.

Johannesburg, Nov. 5.

The Minister of Justice, the Hon. Mr. Tielman J. Roos, K.C., in the course of a speech in connexion with the Afrikaander Day celebrations, declared that the constitutional position following the flag settlement was excellent and was a chance for all Afrikaanders to co-operate for economic prosperity.

In regard to the re-grouping of parties, he expressed the hope that the South African Party and the Nationalists would combine to form a South African Nationalist Party and secure the loyal adherence of Labour.—*Reuter.*

INDIAN POLITICS.

THE BENGAL STATUTORY COMMISSION.

Calcutta, Nov. 5.

The Governor of Bengal has conferred separately with the Editors of the four party newspapers in reference to the appointment of the Indian Statutory Commission.

It is understood that the Editors informed the Governor that the exclusion of Indians from the Commission would prove unacceptable to Indian opinion.—*Reuter.*

TURKISH OIL.

COMPANIES TAKE UP DEVELOPMENT.

New York, Nov. 6.

Five leading American oil companies have acquired an important interest in a scheme for developing oil in the Mosul region in co-operation with groups in Britain, France and Holland, under the direction of the Turkish Petroleum Company. Each country is to hold 25 per cent interest. It is planned to construct a 500 mile pipeline to the Mediterranean.—*Reuter's American Service.*

BALLOON FATILITY.

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Sparta, Tenn, Nov. 6.

Captain Hawthorne Gray was found dead while attempting to break the world's height record for free balloons. Death is believed to have been due to suffocation as the oxygen tube was found severed, apparently accidentally cut by a knife found in Captain Gray's hand. According to the last entry in the log he reached 40,000 feet.

The postmaster at Sparta states that the barograph registers an altitude of 43,000 feet. A similar climb of over 42,000 feet was disallowed because the airman was forced to descend by parachute.—*Reuter's American Service.*

HISTORIC GIFT.

KING'S MESSAGE TO PRES. HARDING FOR MUSEUM.

Washington, Nov. 6.

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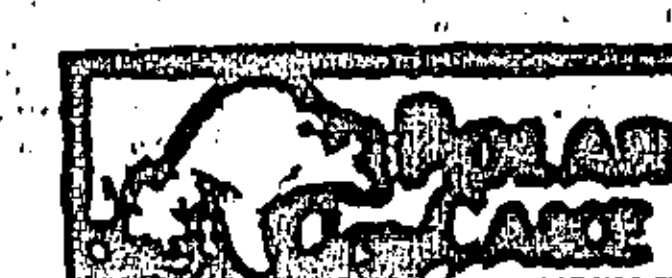
A thousand guests were present at the wedding breakfast held at the Royal Palace, while over 100,000 were accommodated in the stands erected along the streets to witness a cavalcade of surpassing splendour.—*Reuter.*

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FAREWELL TO ATLANTIC FLIERS.

Paris, Nov. 5.

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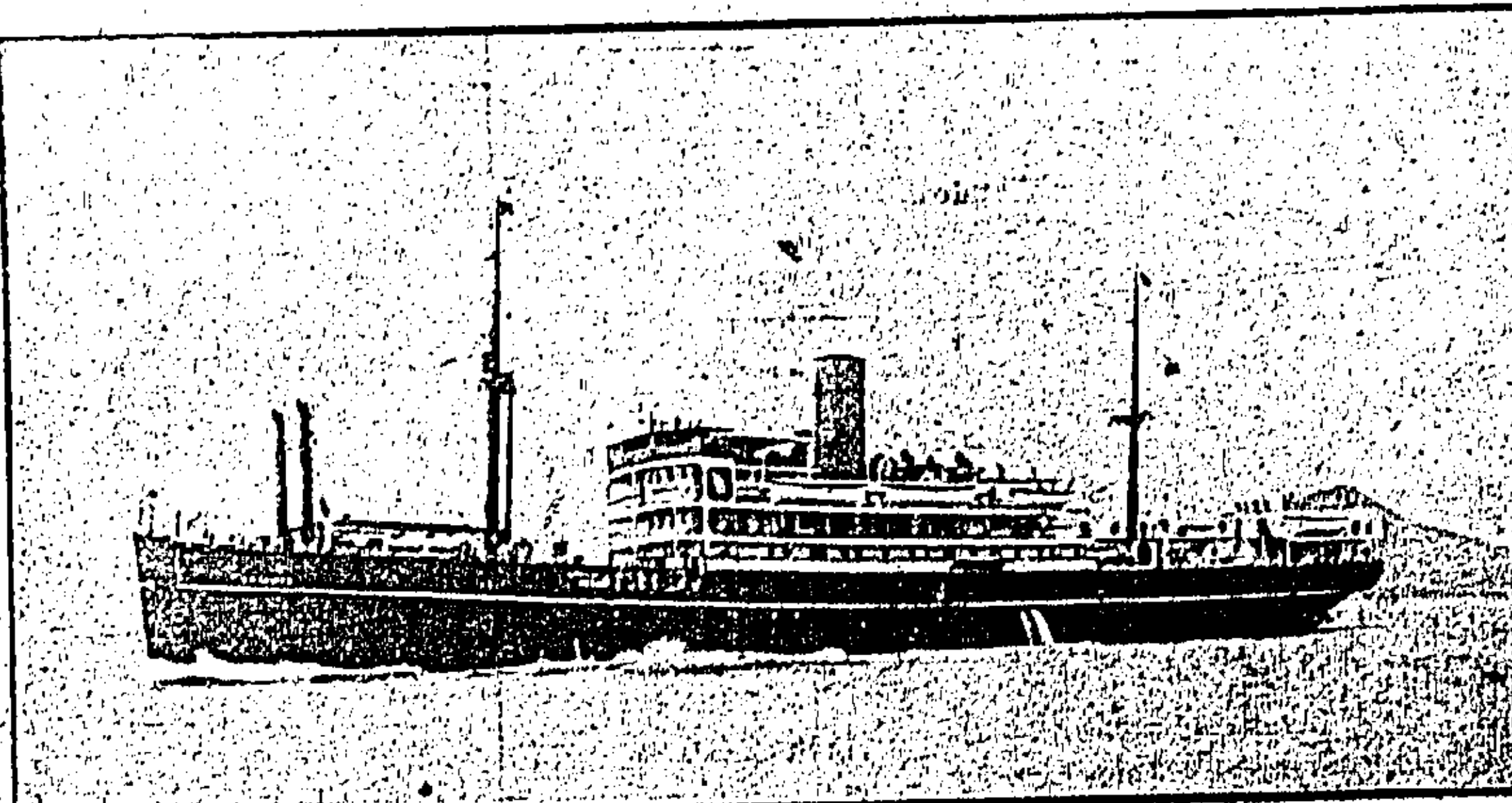
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KHIVA	9,135	17th Dec.	Straits & Bombay
KASHGAR	9,005	24th Dec.	Marseilles, L'don & A'werp
MOREA	10,953	7th Jan. 1928.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,114	7th Jan.	Straits & Bombay
DEVANHA	8,155	21st Jan.	Marseilles, L'don, & A'werp
MALWA	10,986	4th Feb.	Marseilles & London
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	Tons	From Hongkong	Destination
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MANTUA	10,946	11th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHIVA	9,135	19th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHGAR	9,005	26th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
ST. ALBANS	4,500	6th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MOREA	10,953	9th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KALYAN	9,114	13th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
DEVANHA	8,155	24th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MALWA	10,986	7 Jan. 1928.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHYBER	9,114	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KHIVA	9,135	28th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MAE DONIA	11,120	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHMIR	8,985	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KALYAN	9,114	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MANTUA	10,946	2nd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MONGOLIA	16,504	17th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MOREA	10,953	30th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
KASHGAR	9,005	13th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MALWA	10,986	27th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
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hoped this will relieve the tedium
of their lives.

The first instalment of the
memoirs of Dr. Beneš, Czecho-
slovak Minister for Foreign Affairs,
is published in several Czech and
German newspapers. The memoirs
are to be published in book form
next month.

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ATTACK ON A. P. C.
VESSEL.

(Continued from Page 1.)

A Call on Yang Sen.

Wanhsien, Nov. 5.

The commander of H.M.S. Teal
called on General Yang Sen at
Wanhsien yesterday, and was re-
ceived in a most friendly manner.
General Yang Sen told the British
officer that he had definitely
allied himself with the 2nd Army,
and that he would be leaving for
Ichang very shortly.—Naval Wire-
less.

BORODIN FOR MONGOLIA.

To Direct Mongol Army.

Another post has been found for
Borodin, the Russian military ex-
pert who was behind the success
of the Nationalist drive from Can-
ton.

The Shanghai Zorya claims to
have definite information that fol-
lowing the rapprochement between
Russia and Mongolia, plans have
been drawn up providing for a
staff of military and technical ex-
perts, headed by Borodin, to be
furnished for the Mongolian army,
which is to be re-organized on
Soviet military lines.

HANKOW DEFENCE.

Tang May Hold Fort.

Hankow, Nov. 1.

Mr. Koo Meng-yu left here
downstream yesterday in great
secrecy. The feud between the
Wu-han Political Branch and Gen-
eral Tang Seng-chi is growing
worse. Especially younger mem-
bers of the Kuomintang here re-
gard General Tang Seng-chi as
"an anti-revolutionary militarist."
It is considered that various
Kuomintang organs will be re-
moved to Canton in future, and
that those directly belonging to
General Tang Seng-chi alone will
remain in the Wu-han District.—
Toko.

UPRISING AT HSING.

"Red" Take Control Of City.

Reports from Wush state that
an uprising of Chinese, inflamed
by Communist doctrines, has oc-
curred at Hsing, a city on the
Taihu lake, and the city magis-
trate's yamen has been occupied.
It is stated that a body of men,
estimated as high as 2,000, took
control of the city and severed all
communications, as well as over-
powering the few policemen in the
place. Following up their attack,
the Communists have closed the
city gates.

Only the vaguest of reports of
the affair have reached Shanghai,
but Chinese newspaper accounts
state that the Communists intend
to start disturbances in Chang-
chow and Wush on the Shanghai-
Nanking railway. Recently there
has been much Communist ac-
tivity at Wush, leading to many
arrests by the authorities.

NORTHERN CLAIMS.

Fierce Fight With Feng's Troops.

Peking, Nov. 2.
Reports reaching here show that
in the Lunghai Railway zone the
left wing of the Chihli-Shantung
combined troops (General Chang
Ching-yao's troops) and the right
wing (General Liu Chih-ku's
troops) are making progress
gradually, but the main bodies of
the Chihli-Shantung combined
troops and General Feng Yu-
hsiang's troops are still engaged
in severe fighting in the region of
Kaifeng and the issue of the war
is not decided.

The 8th Fengtien Army yester-
day captured Yangkiao on the Pek-
ing-Suiyuan Railway. It is un-
derstood that the Shanai troops
in that zone evacuated from Tien-
chang and Yangkiao one after an-
other without offering much re-
sistance. Judging from the fore-
going fact, the Shanai troops ap-
pear to be planning to shut them-
selves up in the region south of
Yenmenkuan which place is a
stronghold on the Great Wall and
therefore stubborn resistance at
Tatungfu is not likely.

The 18th Fengtien Army yester-
day morning occupied Laiyuan-
hsien which is in the western part
of Chihli and captured much booty
including 2 field guns and over
10,000 hand-grenades. A division
of Shanai troops which had been
defending the town, have retreat-
ed to the west and the commander
of the division is reported to have
narrowly escaped.—Toko.

The Branch Secretary of the
China Coast Officers Guild and the
Marine Engineer's Guild of China,
announces that he will be happy
to meet all European members of
the Mercantile Marine at the Star
Ferry Wharf (Hongkong) at 10.30
a.m. on Armistice Day, for the pur-
pose of laying a wreath on the Cen-
otaph, in memory of departed
comrades. Medals and decora-
tions should be worn, with uniform
optional, but desirable.

TWO SPANISH PRINCESSES.



The Princesses Beatriz and Christina of Spain, who
are visiting England with their mother.

DAY BY DAY.

There was a clean bill of health
in the Colony over the week-end.

Forthcoming weddings announ-
ced include that of Lieut. John de
Butts Wallis, R.N., R. A. F. Base,
Kai Tak, to Miss N. S. M. Baldwin,
Maer Vale House, Exmouth.

Arrivals by ocean-going steamers
were in excess of departures, but
river steamers took nearly 8,000
more out of the Colony than ar-
rived. Figures for junks and
launches were almost balanced,
with a slight result in favour of
arrivals.

An attack with a chopper was
made by a Chinese on another at
No. 142 Shaikwan Road, resulting
in injuries to the victim's head
which necessitated his removal to
hospital. The affair occurred dur-
ing the week-end, and a man has
been charged before Mr. R. E.
Lindsell in connexion with the as-
sault, and remanded.

Inquiries made on Wednesday at
Headquarters of the North China
Command to ascertain the reason
for certain officers of the Shanghai
Defence Force wearing mourning
bands upon their arms, elicited the
information that this was due to the
death of the Marquis of Cambridge,
for whom the British Royal Court
is at present in mourning. The
Royal Household Regiment, on such
occasions, wears mourning and the
officers of the Coldstream Guards, as
the only representatives of the
Royal Household Regiment in
Shanghai, followed the usual cus-
tom.

The formal application for the ex-
tradition of Edwin T. Hunt, who
was arrested by U. S. Court Mar-
shal, T. R. Porter, on board the a.s.
Shanghai Maru last Saturday, on a
charge of unlawful importation of
liquor into America from Canada, to
the Federal Court of Seattle, filed
by District Attorney, Dr. K. Seltzer,
was granted by Judge Milton D.
Purdy at the United States Court
for China on Thursday. It is un-
derstood that the accused will sail for
Seattle on the first steamer leaving
for America. The accused, being
unable to put up the bail of
\$810,000 fixed by Judge Purdy at a
previous hearing, in compliance with
the suggestion of the Government's
prosecutor, is still in custody.

"How Much Do You Know?"

It will be a surprise to many to
know how wide in range and in-
tensive in application is the train-
ing which the periodically chang-
ing complement of 1,600 boys have
to undergo on four vessels con-
stituting the Third Battle Squad-
ron, which is about to enter, in
conjunction with the Atlantic
Fleet, upon the preliminary stages
of the manoeuvres. These bud-
ding seamen, drawn direct from
the training centres at Plymouth,
Portsmouth, and Shotley, spend
six months under instruction on
the battleships before they are
distributed in the Fleet. In
addition to the training they re-
ceive in the art of warfare, and
after passing through the elemen-
tary education tests, they have to
possess a knowledge of subjects far
removed from the normal
purposes of a battleship crew. In-
stance, they are called upon to
write something about the archi-
tectural style of Westminster
Abbey, St. Paul's and Westminster
Cathedral; to explain with a
diagram, transept, nave, apse,
oriel window, crypt, or buttress; to
show why green plants will not
grow in the dark; and why stars
twinkle at night; and further, to
write not more than two lines
about Mrs. Grundy, Horacio
Walpole, Gretta Green, Josiah
Wedgwood, and Lindisfarne—
truly calculated to keep not a few
of us guessing.

TO-DAY.

Dollar on demand 2/- 3/16.
Lighting-up 5.43 p.m.

SALE OF CARS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

Mr. McCallum then referred to
the cause of action, pointing out
that there were four distinct cars
and there was a claim in relation
to one only. Two of them were in
the defendants' possession, but
there might be a further action
with regard to the other one.

Mr. Turner replied that Mr. Mc-
Callum could take that point if a
writ was issued with regard to the
other car. In any case, he himself
had no intention of issuing another
writ.

The plaintiff said in evidence that
when he advanced the money the
car was for public hire and still
was so used. The car was used
in connexion with the garage busi-
ness.

Replying to Mr. McCallum,
plaintiff said that when he ad-
vanced the \$1,000 he valued the
four cars collectively at about
\$4,000. He placed the value of the
particular car for which he was
suing at about \$1,300. When he
demanded it back he did not know
whether it was in good running
order or not, but at that time he
valued it at about \$700.

Writ amended.

His Lordship remarked that part
of Mr. McCallum's case would be
that the plaintiff was not entitled
to recover more than the actual
value of the car, and said he
thought Mr. Turner should be
allowed to include the other car
in the writ.

The writ was accordingly
amended to include both cars, the
other one being No. 184.

Answering Mr. McCallum, plain-
tiff said he valued that car at
about \$450 when he demanded it
back.

He agreed that the interest on
the money, \$4 per cent. per Chinese
lunar month, was rather high, be-
ing about 50 per cent, but Li Hoi-
san volunteered to pay that rate.

Defendant's Version.

The defendant's story was to
the effect that he bought the cars
from Mr. Li Hoi-san on July 15,
and so far as he knew they were
his. He did not know of the
plaintiff's loan to the proprietor
of the garage.

In reply to Mr. Turner, the de-
fendant said he was collecting the
rents of three of the cars. So far
as he knew, Li Hoi-san did not ex-
hibit new cars for sale but only
did repair work.

Questioned by Mr. McCallum,
defendant said he did not know
what a bill of sale was until Mr.
Turner explained it to him. He
understood that all transfers in
relation to motor-cars were carried
through by the police, so, before
completing the car deal, he went
to the police station to make en-
quiries, as he had doubts as to the
ownership. So far as he could
ascertain, Mr. Li Hoi-san was the
registered owner.

The case was adjourned for a
week, for the purpose of argu-
ment with regard to the bill of
sale, and Mr. McCallum's special
defence.

At a meeting of the Canton
Political Council, held on Friday
evening at Canton, it was decided
that Mr. Kam Nai-kwong, a
"Leftist" politician, would take up
the office of Mayor of Canton, fol-
lowing the resignation of Mr. Feng
Cho-man, the former Mayor. It is
expected that Mr. Kam will take
up the duties of his office to-day.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to
to-day's questions—

1. From George Downing, who became
Cromwell's Minister to Holland, but espoused
the King's cause after the Restoration, and
was made a baronet. 2. A seller of Dutch
costard apples. 3. Thwaiter, by Bishop
Berkeley (1685-1753). 4. The Royal Ex-
change, over which is a gilded grasshopper,
eleven feet long. 5. That which prohibits
building on consecrated ground and that
which preserves ancient rights. 6. A
bracket. 7. The spider, which, contrary to
popular belief, is not an insect, but belongs
to the animal kingdom. 8. Not for the
mause, but for the initiated only. 9. The
ancient Druidic symbol for the three rays of
Blaine light. It was appropriated by Edward
III. as a royal badge. 10. Prince Rupprecht
of Bavaria. 11. Lucretia Ayres Great
Southern, British-American Tobacco, and Arto-
fazania Railway. 12. Malory's "Morte
d'Arthur." It referred to a defeated knight.

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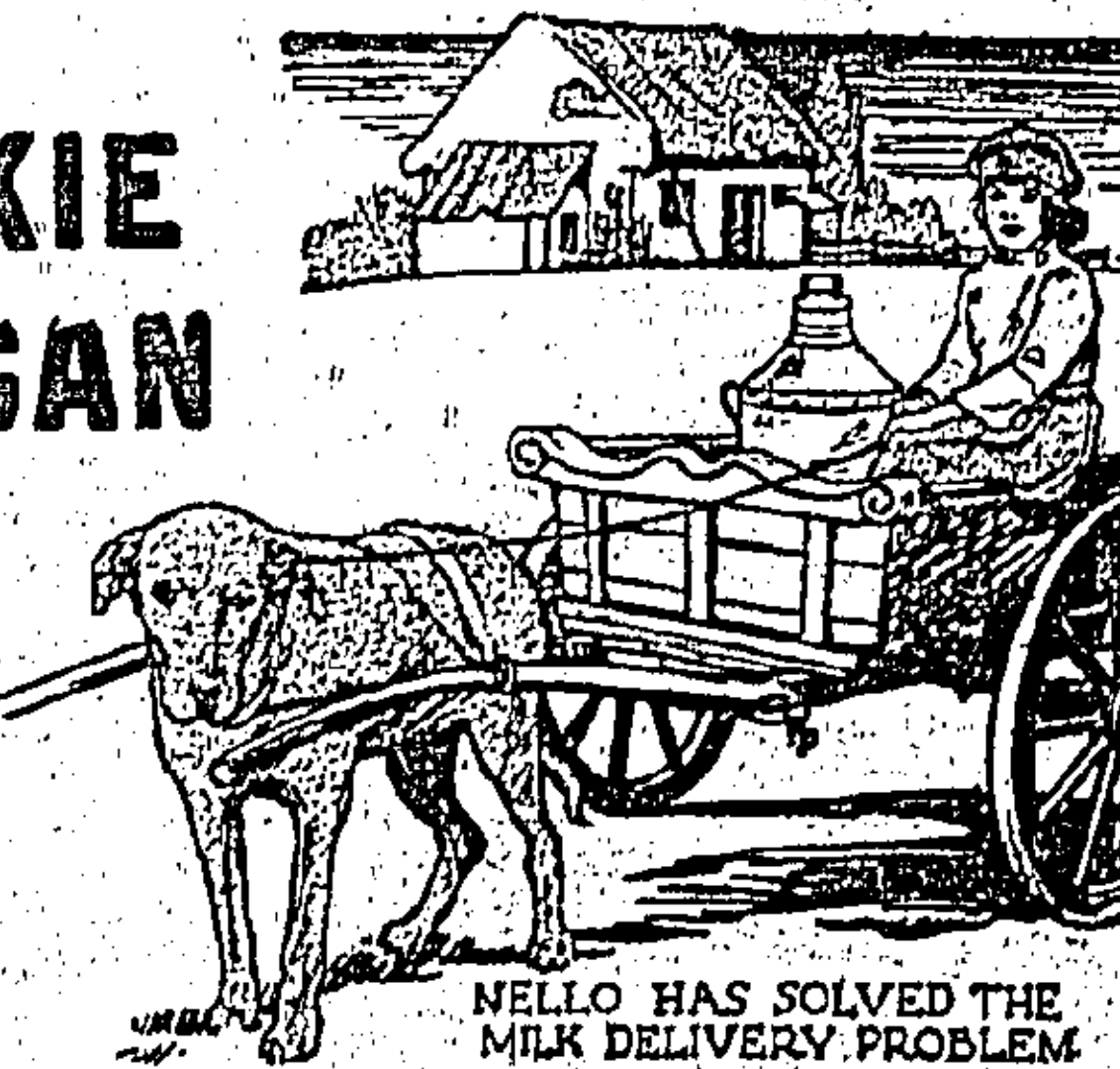
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the Commodore for the loan of
flags and bunting, the "Foot-
by low" with poorer freights, but
warmers who cheered the meeting
with their tasteful performances,
the kind friends and benefactors,
and the Editors of English and
Chinese papers who generously
co-operated.

Gen. Wang Shao-hung, the mili-
tary chief of Kwangsi, is due at
Nanning to-day on his way back to
Canton.

The Harbour Office reports for
the week-end gave 28 arrivals and
the same number of departures, of
which 12 and 11 were British,
leaving 65 vessels in harbour,
British 24. Tonnage was general-
ly low, with poorer freights, but
British vessels carried a fair pro-
portion of the cargoes both inward
and through.

The passengers return for
river and ocean-going vessels for
the month of October has now been
issued by the local authorities, and
shows a preponderance of approx-
imately 4,000 departures over
arrivals.